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VIR DRINGENDE AANDAG: MNR. GERIKE & CHANTEL EDWARDS-KLOSE

AAN: DIE MUNISIPALITEIT - WAARDASIE & VERHOOGING VAN ALLE MUNISIPALE TARIWE

VAN: GERT PRETORIUS, PALGRAVESTRAAT 60, GEORGE  
NMS PRETORIUS FAMILIE TRUST, RANDSTRAAT 5 GEORGE INDUSTRIA

VERW.: GRG 30096390204

HIERMEE WIL EK TEN STERKSTE BESWAAR AANTEKENING I.V.M. BOGENOEMDE  
WAARDASIE BY RANDSTRAAT 5, GEORGE INDUSTRIA

MET DIE DAT DIE WAARDASIE, SOWEL AS AL DIE TARIWE VERHOOG WORD, SUKSEL  
ONS GEWELDIG OM ONS HUURDERS TE BEHOU. ONS VERHUUR ALREEDS DIE GEBOUE  
DIE AFGELOPE 6 JAAR SONDER OM JAARLIKS ESKULASIE TOE TE PAS, REEDS OMDAT  
HUURDERS NIE HOE HUUR KAN BETAAL NIE. AS DIE TARIWE NOU MOET VERHOOG  
SOOS U VOORSTEL, IS DIT ABSOLUUT VIR EIENAARS SOWEL AS DIE HUURDERS  
ONMOONTLIK OM IN HIERDIE SWAK EKONOMIESE TOESTANDE TE OORLEEF.

ONS VRA AUB. BAIE MOOI ----- OORDINK HIERDIE VERHOOGING. DIT IS VIR ALMAL  
ONBEKOSTIGBAAR.

ONS SAL DIT BAIE WAARDEER.

BAIE DANKIE.



G. PRETORIUS NMS. PRETORIUS FAMILIE TRUST

Dear Sir.

22/5/17

To Municipality Manager

FROM

MR G HAYES

P.O. Box 2377

GEORGE.

6530.

This Rates + Taxes Increase that is being Proposed. is way above My Means. To Pay. 11% when Inflation is only 6%.

I Bought my House in 1988. When I was still Employed. I Am 63 years old Now and Dont have Employment.

My small Investments I have. Do NOT.

Cover the cost of living Now Days in George.

And I dont have any Means of Increasing my Income. So Please SIR. Re Consider. this 11% Increase. Other Wise. I Have No Clue How I am going to survive in the Future.

Yours Faithfully

MR. G. Hayes

(0829344854)  
CELL

5308245119187

Thank You.



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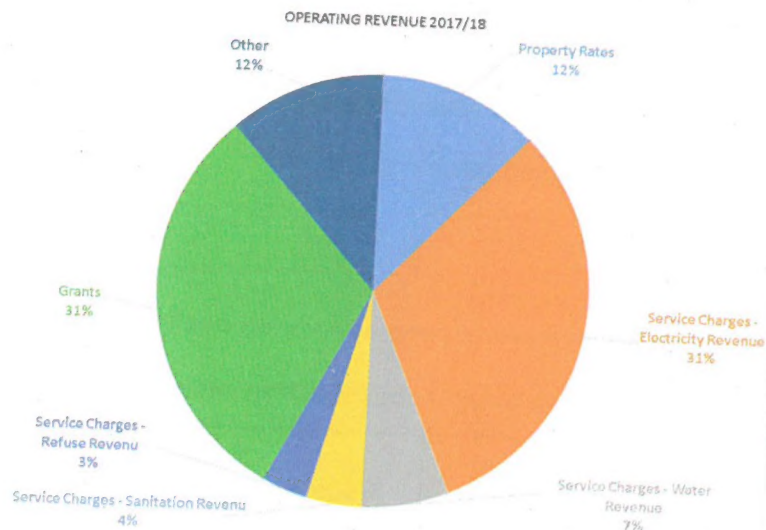
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Water	8.00%
Sanitation / Sanitasie	8.00%
Refuse / Vullisverwydering	15.00%
Other / Ander	6.00%

**ONS OMGEWING IS KOSBAAR - SPAAR WATER**



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32 Kington Road.  
Kingswood Golf Estate  
George 6529.  
22 May 2017.

The Municipal Manager  
George

Sir,

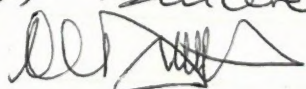
Re Proposed Rates Hikes 2017/2018.

I want to express my shock and dismay at the proposed tariff + Rates Increases as highlighted in your newsletter Ed. 21 (attached).

Your proposed increases far exceed the inflation rate. How could you justify it? I am a pensioner and ratepayer, and am very worried over the compounding effect these increases will have in future.

I do realise that economic conditions are very tight. Do you realise this? I believe that you should moderate your ambitious projects, charge inflation related increases and serve the public who have voted you into power. I object to your proposed increases!

Yours sincerely



Oswald C. Dittrich.

Posadres Postbus 10889

George

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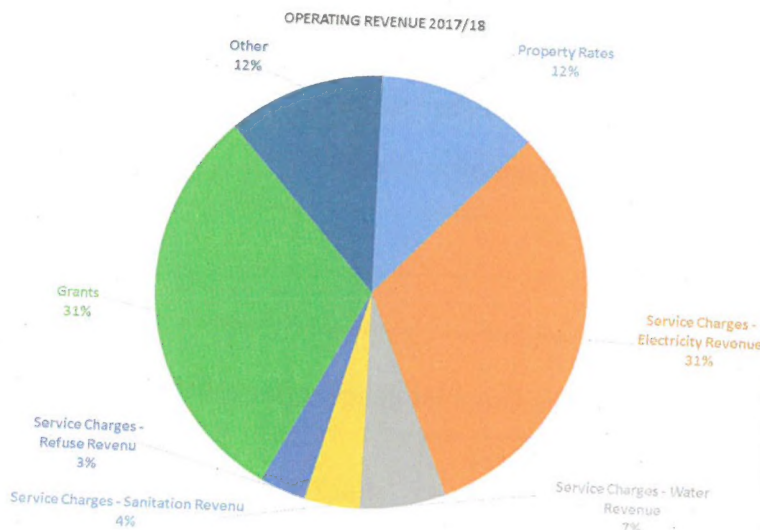
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(L)

MJ Hanekom

41 Dennegeur Avenue

Denneoord

GEORGE

6529

The Municipal Manager & Council

GEORGE Municipality

GEORGE

6529

**RE: COMPLAINT - PROPOSED RATE INCREASE**

With our economy currently being in the state that it is in and many families in George living below the bread line, I read about the proposed Rate increase of up to 15 % on Municipal Services – which is well above inflation of 6.47%.

I do not feel that these proposed tariff increases is fair, reasonable or responsible. We are already feeling the pressure of our down grade to Junk Status. How are we going to survive possible increases in Interest Rates and a 15% increase in Municipal services ?

Our salary increase was below inflation this year – with increase in Medical aid I'm already worst off than I was last year.

What is the explanation for the 15% increase from Council? I'm not willing to pay these fees without a GOOD explanation from Council, proof of responsible spending in 2016 and a reasonable budget for 2017. It feels as if we are subsidizing over spending and an excessive budget for the new financial year. Are you also trying to save as we are, by cutting out all of the luxuries or are you spending as usual?

Yes, I'm a home owner, but I'm the sole income earner for the household. I hereby request reconsideration of the proposed increases. Think about the ripple effect your decision has on the families of George.



MJ Hanekom

0607945237



See 0448715427  
See 0826757587

Posbus 4340.  
George - 00  
George 6539.

Die Bestuurder

22 Mei 2017

Munisipaliteit George. Fak 0865896402.

Munisipalebegroting: Finansiële Jaar 2017/18

H.A. Mouton: A.M. Mouton: Genevafontein  
Aftree-oord 78 George

Gammel dat ek die keurdatum van  
8 Mei 2017 gemis het. Ek het dit gebere  
om te beantwoord en dit verskeet.

Ek wil u graag daarop wys dat my  
Eendombelasting met R 59-10 en sani-  
tasie met R 15-84 per maana sal  
verhoog. Nullisverwydering en water

is by die maandelikse heffing  
van Genevafontein Aftree-oord ingesluit.

Indien die algemene inflasiekoers  
by hierdie verhoging ingesluit  
word maak dit 'n groot inbreek  
op my maandelikse pensioen-  
inkomste.

Alhoewel my pensioen met 11,9% die  
afgelope 2 jaar aangepas is, is  
dit ongeveer 6% onder die inflasie-  
koers van die afgelope 2 jaar.

Ek versoek dat u die vermind-  
ring van die begroting ernstig  
oornag.

Die ewe

H.A. Mouton: H.A. Mouton.

**Magda Meyer**

**From:** Tammy Arendse  
**Sent:** Monday, 22 May 2017 11:02  
**To:** Les Hayward  
**Cc:** cfo@george.org.za; Magda Meyer; Sandile Ngqele; Ronel Le Fleur  
**Subject:** RE: Beswaar teen voorgestelde verhogings in tariewe vir die 2017/2018 finansiële jaar

Goeie More Ds Hayward

Hiermee erken ek ontvangs van u e-pos.

Die aangeleentheid is na die Hoof Finansiële Beamppte verwys wie op u klagte sal antwoord.

Namens die Munisipale Bestuurder.

Groete.

**Tammy Arendse**

Executive Support Officer to Mr T Botha  
Office of the Municipal Manager  
York Street, George, 6529  
Tel: 044 801 9069  
[tarendse@george.gov.za](mailto:tarendse@george.gov.za)



**From:** Les Hayward [mailto:haywardles@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 21 May 2017 21:37  
**To:** Tammy Arendse <Tarendse@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Beswaar teen voorgestelde verhogings in tariewe vir die 2017/2018 finansiële jaar

Die Munisipale Bestuurder  
George Munisipaliteit  
George.

Geagte Mnr. Botha

Hiermee ondergetekendes se amptelike beswaar teen die voorgestelde verhogings in tariewe vir die 2017/2018 Finansiële jaar. Sonder om 'n volledige uiteensetting van die gronde vir ons besware te gee versoek ons u vriendelik om die brief van Les Hayward in die uitgawe van die George Herald van 18 Mei 2017 saam met hierdie beswaar te lees. Lees ook die artikel op die voorblad van en die ander briewe in dieselfde uitgawe. Genoeg as ek vir u sê dat baie erkende ekonomiese deskundiges in die gemeenskap groot vraagtekens agter die voorgestelde verhogings in tariewe plaas. Hierdie verhogings word deur baie in die gemeenskap, wat alreeds vuisvoos geslaan is deur finansiële laste, as uiters onbillik, buitensporig en



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# DESERÉ VAN HEERDEN

15 Stevenstraat, George, 6529  
**Tel:** 044 874 6868      **Sel:** 083 380 9514

**Aan:** Die Munisipale Bestuurder

**IS: VERHOOGING IN ERFBELASTING AREA 20 ERF 6308 00001;**  
**LIGGING 15 Stevenstraat; REK NR GRG 1002129997**

Geagte Raadslid / Wyk verteenwoordiger

Hiermee wil ek graag 'n versoek rig aan u t.o.v heroorweging van voorgestelde 11% verhoging van bogenoemde erfbelasting.

Ek is tans besig met aansoek by Menslike Nedersetting, Grondsake en Beplanning (Verw: 1143/6308). Daarna sal planne ingedien word by die Bou inspekteur vir goedkeuring.

Daar was oorskreiding van grensmuur en strukture waarvan ek eers na afhandeling van oordrag (na egskeiding) bewus gemaak is. Ek het tydens amnestie periode gepoog om dit reg te stel.

Daar is reeds hoë kostes aangegaan om muur te skuif, nuwe planne op te trek en indiening-en verdere koste vir die finale goedkeuring en uitsluitel vanaf die betrokke afdeling is nog uitstaande. Hierdie sal nog verdere koste beloop.

Ek versoek dus vriendelik dat die verhoging meer in lyn met inflasie sal wees (wat ek verstaan so 6% is).

Ek hoop van harte dat u my versoek gunstig sal oorweeg.

Vriendelike groete.



D. VAN HEERDEN



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Bordwijkstraeg 9.

George

Rob v. Ryly 210738702

Wie dit mag zeggen.

1.5. Verhoging van tarieven.

De aankleding van de 1e kennis  
was ons alom het aangevoelde die  
verhoging van tarieven wil het dit  
orde u aandoeg bring dat het is  
persoonlijk is en dat die tarieven  
nie maanklik zal was om te kan  
hetmaal.

De van dit u dit in herover-  
ging zal bring aangevoelen die  
inflatiekeers 6% is.

Woeder is aandoeg en tijd en  
zal terugvoering woeder  
Vriendelijke groete  
J. Venter.

fasttydam@gmail.com.



21/5/2017.

Mrs L A DIXON  
14, PLOVER RD  
HEATHERLANDS  
GEORGE  
6530

To whom it concerns,

Before 2012 June, I was so happy. Loved my life, my husband & daughter. Then in June on 24th, I received the worst phone call ever in early hours of that morning.

My amazing, healthy husband had died from West Nile Virus, while in USA.

Five weeks it took myself & my daughter to have his body flown home RSA. Our life & world, Never to be the same, ever again.

Not only was I made a widow but at 55, I had lost my soulmate, the only bread earner.

The past 5 yrs to say have been Hell, is understatement. Im living on a life insurance payout, only. I really have to be so frugal how I spend and on what. Everythings going-gone UP. Life is a struggle. Im doing the best I can day by day but my "budget" CANNOT afford higher Rates. I LOVE my home. We LOVED our home. Jobs need doing. I can only do so much as it is.

Please Do NOT increase my rates. My home is full of happy memories and my sanctuary. I love living here. Water, refuge and sanitation already higher, electric also. My budgets stretched as it is without adding to it. I pay my bills, pay my rates, yearly as he did when my husband, was alive. Big burden but atleast its done for the year. But such a struggle I DONT work, over 60. Kind Regards (Mrs)

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER

GEORGE MUNICIPALITY.

22.5.17

P. VROOM

11 CHARLOTTE STREET, Erf: 4824

GEORGE. 6529 TEL : 044-8744958

### MUNICIPAL RATES INCREASE

The proposed increase in rates, etc seems to very high - above inflation rate. At the moment I am paying R795.60 per month in rates. As I am now 67 years old; planning to close down my business as it is no longer lucrative and thinking of retiring (Government pension) the rates will bring me below the poverty line. Totally unacceptable.

If you have a job at the Municipality for a 67 year old technician, please consider this also an application and not only an objection. Municipality staff seem to be quite well paid - maybe you could make me a councillor?

Yours sincerely

P. VROOM







VAT No 4630193664  
P.O. BOX 19, GEORGE 6530  
TEL (044) 801-9111 086 589 6402  
EMAIL: accounts@george.org.za

# GEORGE MUNICIPALITY Tax invoice

NONE  
GRG 24048240301



FV ROOM  
P O BOX 1898  
GEORGE  
6530

STATEMENT DATE	26/04/2017
TAX INVOICE NO.	8076966
ACCOUNT NO.	GRG 24048240301
RECEIPTS POSTED TILL	25/04/2017
GUARANTEE / DEPOSIT	5.60-
SUSURB	24 4824 00001
VALUATION	765500
SITE ADDRESS:	CHARLOTTE STREET 11
DEBTS DUE BY TENANTS	0.00
CLIENT VAT NO.	

SERVICE	OPENING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	CHARGE	INTEREST	ADJUSTMENTS	VAT	CLOSING BALANCE
	76.22	76.22-	69.25	0.00	0.00	9.70	78.95
	164.25	164.25-	144.06	0.00	0.00	20.17	164.25
	198.12	198.12-	173.79	0.00	0.00	24.33	198.12
	354.40	354.36-	354.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	354.31
TOTAL	792.99	792.95-	741.39	0.00	0.00	54.20	795.63

PLEASE SEE REVERSE  
FOR IMPORTANT NOTES.

## OFFICE HOURS

08H00 -15H30 MONDAY - FRIDAY  
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## PAY POINTS

MUNICIPAL OFFICES: GEORGE,  
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COUNTRYWIDE.

## MESSAGE

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Thank you

TOTAL VAT	ARREARS	CURRENT	PAYMENT DATE		AMOUNT DUE	
64.20	0.04	795.59	15/05/2017		R 795.60	
FUTURE		CURRENT	30 DAYS	60 DAYS	90 DAYS	90 DAYS +
MONTHLY	0.00	795.59	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
ANNUAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	795.59	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00

Water:1401	Cons/Days	5	29.00		
Water:1401	Basic(New)	1	72.64	78.95	9.70
Water:1401	>0-5 K1 - N	5	12.72	72.50	8.90
Water:1401	Free/Gratis-N	5-	12.72	72.50-	8.90-

AN APPEAL IS MADE TO ALL OWNERS/TENANTS TO SEE THAT WATER  
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## SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY SERVICE

	354.31	Sewerage	198.12
Refuse	164.25	Water	78.95

## PAYMENT DETAILS



BRANCH CODE: 632005  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 010 2222 0981



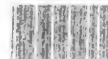
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ALLOCATION

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W	CDNF769	1179	1184		5	22/02-23/03		17

(11)  
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M. VROOM

56 ALBERT STREET,

GEORGE TEL: 044-8744958

RE: INCREASE IN RATES, ETC. objection

The increases which the Municipality is very high and above inflation. The economy of George is not so good that we can cope with the constant high Municipal rates.

I have a house in Albert street which I rent to a single mother and two children and also to another small business. The total income is R5000.00. The rates at the present time is R2250.00. When taking into account the municipal account, insurance on the property and maintenance that leaves nothing over for savings. The Government keeps saying that small business is the way to get out of poverty, well with these increases that is laughable.

Yours sincerely

M. Vroom.

Enc.1







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MA VROOM  
P O BOX 1898  
GEORGE  
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STATEMENT DATE 26/04/2017  
TAX INVOICE NO. 8075539  
ACCOUNT NO. GRG 14022430406  
RECEIPTS POSTED TILL 25/04/2017  
GUARANTEE / DEPOSIT  
SUBURB 14 2243 00001  
VALUATION 1200000  
SITE ADDRESS: ALBERT STREET 56  
DEBTS DUE BY TENANTS 300.33  
CLIENT VAT NO.

SERVICE	OPENING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	CHANGE	INTEREST	ADJUSTMENTS	VAT	CLOSING BALANCE
	806.85	806.85	707.75	0.00	0.00	99.09	806.85
	604.87	604.87	520.59	0.00	0.00	74.28	604.87
	541.32	541.32	441.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	541.34
TOTAL	2 253.04	2 253.00	2 579.65	0.00	0.00	173.37	2 253.06

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ANNUAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	2253.02	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00

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## SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY SERVICE

Refuse	541.34	Electricity	504.87
	806.85		
Debt due by tenants		300.33	

## PAYMENT DETAILS

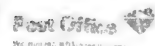


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9153 0000 1402 2430 4662

ACCOUNT GRG 14022430406



ALLOCATION

ACCOUNT NUMBER

Die Munisipaliteit,

George.

20 Mei 2017

Meneer.

I.s. voorgestelde belasting/tarief verhogings (begroting)

Ek is teleurgesteld dat u onder die indruk verkeer dat alle inwoners van George diep sakke vol geld het om in te staan vir die munisipaliteit se onvermoe om binne die amptelike inflasiekoers te funksioneer nie (of glo u ook nie die amptelike syfers soos baie van ons nie?)

**Ek aanvaar nie die voorgestelde uitspattige verhogings tov vullisverwydering (15%!) en eiendomsbelasting (11%!) nie.** Dit is verregaande! In die lig van n lae elektrisiteitsverhoging (2.2%?) is die 8% tov water en riooldienste (ook 8%) aanvaarbaar, aangesien ek die beginsel van kruissubsidiering verstaan en aanvaar. **Indien alle items (behalwe krag @2.2%?) teen n maksimum van 8% verhoog**, sal my totale maandelikse munisipale uitgawe met n geweegde gemiddeld van 6.67% styg – en dit sal aanvaarbaar wees.

Ek en my vrou is beide pensioenarisse en ons inkomste is beperk. Haar pensioen is vanjaar met 6.6% verhoog terwyl myne (Lewende Annuiiteit) met +-2% verlaag het agv marktoestande buite my beheer. Daarteenoor behoort u te weet wat die situasie tov voedsel, mediese en brandstofprysverhogings was (om maar net drie te noem) wat ons as gewone afgetredenes moes en nog steeds moet “sluk” So ons raap en skraap om deur te kom, maar MOET ons binne ons inkomsteperke leef en met minder klaarkom. Ons weet bv. van mense wat hulle mediese skemas moes kanselleer en/of terugskaal om deur te kom.

Ons is natuurlik daarvan bewus dat vele ander afgetredenes en inwoners in George in dieselfde bootjie sit (en dalk nog slegter daaraan toe is). Dit verbaas my dat u raadslede en amptenare skynbaar onder die indruk verkeer dat dit nie so is nie en dat dit met afgetredenes met vaste pensioene en toelaes finansiële goed gaan. Hierdie munisipaliteit het nie en gee geen afslag of ander voordele aan afgetredenes wat nie van een of ander Munisipale toelaag of subsidie of vrystelling of laer tariewe afhanklik is nie. Om ons as “melkkoeie” te misbruik is onaanvaarbaar. Uitspattige verhogings vergroot die poel van armoede, en wat u moet subsidieer. Is dit wat u wil bereik?

Ten slotte. **Hersien asb u begroting om voorsiening te maak vir verhogings wat nie 8% (gegewe elektrisiteit @ 2.2%) te bowe sal gaan nie. Dis die regte ding om te doen.**

Die uwe,

Mnr. PW Kotzenberg.





20 Oewer Street  
Twee Rivieren  
George  
6529  
20 May 2017

ERF Number 5916

George Budget Committee

It was deep surprise, then concern and leading to anger that I read in the George Herald of the exorbitant proposed increases in rates (15%) water and water and sewage (8%). **These increases are totally unacceptable.**

We purchased the above property in 1990 and I retired in 1998. Since then I have been living on a pension which is linked to CPI. Based on this I have just been able to maintain the annual increases that are imposed on us by the city council for rates and taxes. By imposing the above proposed increases it will put me and I am sure nearly all pensioners resident in George who are on either fixed or linked CPI pensions in the horrible position of going into debt to meet the council monthly payments.

I would seriously suggest that the Budget Committee members concentrate their minds, sharpen their pencils and come up with methods to reduce this huge increase, otherwise house owners like ourselves are going to have huge problems in meeting our monthly payments, and in fact will have to default on these payments. I ask you in all honesty "Do you really want this to happen to your residents".

I demand that we individually be given a full and complete explanation as to where they pull these huge increases from and explain to us how we can possibly hope to meet them.

Regards

N R Mast

>>> <[jannie.wiehahn@gmail.com](mailto:jannie.wiehahn@gmail.com)> 19 May 2017 19:44 >>>

Geagte Meneer. Ek neem die vrymoedigheid om hierdie skrywe aan u te rig om my ongelukkigheid uit te spreek ten opsigte van die voorgenome tariewe wat verhoog gaan word.

Ek en my vrou het die verhoging in die George Herold gelees en verneem dat ons wel ons griewe kan noem. Wat die Raad blykbaar nie in ag geneem het nie, is dat die verhogings pensionaris se gaan benadeel.

Ek en my vrou is albei pensionaris se (in ons 70's), en is afhanklik van ons pensioen, en moet ons maandelikse inkomste baie noukeurig spandeer. Ons kry nie 'n jaarlikse verhoging of 13de tjek, of enige aansporings bonus nie.

Al die lede van die raad ontvang die jaarlikse bonusse en verhogings. Ons moet dieselfde vir brandstof, voedsel water, ligte ens, betaal as hulle.

Nou wens ek om u ernstig te versoek om die voorgestelde verhogings te heroorweeg ten opsigte van pensionaris se.

Die verhogings gaan baie pensionaris se finansiële baie seermaak.

Pryse (voedsel ens) styg maandeliks, en dit veroorsaak dat baie mense asook pensionaris se nog swaarder gaan kry.

Dink Mooi asseblief.

Baie Dankie

Jannie Wiehahn

>>> "Sakkie Jacobs" <[sakkiejacobs6@gmail.com](mailto:sakkiejacobs6@gmail.com)> 20 May 2017 14:50 >>>

AANDAG: Munisipale Bestuurder

Hiermee maak ek 'n ernstige beswaar oor die voorlopige tarief verhogings:

1) Eiendomsbelasting van 11.00% is buitensporig, verhoogs inflasiekoers. a) Daar kom so baie inwoners van ander provinsies, dat die tariewe eerder verlaag moet word.

b) die ekonomie is so swak dat ons as pensioenaris se dit nie meer kan bekostig om in GEORGE te bly nie, of sodoende die eiendom moet verkoop, om bestaan te maak.

c) Om die eiendom te verkoop is ook 'n probleem, waar gaan jy behuising kry in oue te huise, wat onbekosbaar duur word.

2) Alle andere tariewe is redelik behalwe "REFUSE".

A) Die probleem daar is dat die vullis wat verwyder word, weekliks, word so beskadig deur "SAKKRAPPERS" dat jy moet die straat skoonmaak nadat die "LORRIE" dit op -

gelaai het. Hulle sal dit nie skoonmaak nie.

B) Die swartplastieksakke is van baie swak gehalte.

3) Die RAAD sal moet aandag gee aan ons inwoners se griewe, en nie die gans wat die GOUE EIERS Lê dood maak nie.

DANKIE



Sakkie Jacobs. Candlewoodstraat 40 HEATHERPARK.

>>> Ken Hart <[kennethandjanethart@icloud.com](mailto:kennethandjanethart@icloud.com)> 21 May 2017 18:25 >>>

Dear George Council,

16 Please realise that this proposed hike is too high. we feel that the council should share the reasons for the proposal. After all we elected them and they should always be responsible to the Electorate! This is the idea of a democracy ??

Regards

Ken Hart

>>> "Mienkie" <[antonmerwe@mweb.co.za](mailto:antonmerwe@mweb.co.za)> 19 May 2017 15:03 >>>

Goeie dag

Hiermee wil ek groot beswaar aanteken teen die beplande prysverhoging.

17 Ek is 'n Pensionaris. My inkomste word al hoe minder en oral styg pryse.

Die beplande verhoging is heelwat meer as die inflasiekoers. Hoe kan ek net meer en meer betaal elke maand. Ek kan nie meer byhou nie.

Is daar nie iewers afslag vir Pensioenarisse nie. Ek sien ander Munisipaliteite het verligting vir die ouer mense.

By voorbaat dankie\W.M.I. van der Merwe

Mnr & Mev AK en WMI van der Merwe

Heriotrylaan 35

Rekeningnommer: GRG 21096030306Area: 21 9603 0000 1

From: Dennis [mailto:[dennis.hagemann@telkomsa.net](mailto:dennis.hagemann@telkomsa.net)]

Sent: Saturday, 20 May 2017 15:53

To: Magda Meyer <[mameyer@george.gov.za](mailto:mameyer@george.gov.za)>

Subject: Objection to proposed tariff increases

18 Dear Ms Meyer,

As advised by you I am submitting an objection on the proposed tariff increases from Joy and Dennis Hagemann co-owners of 6 Manuel Villet Street.

Would you please forward it through the office of the Municipal Manager to the George Budget Committee scheduled for 31 May 2017.

Regards

Joy Hagemann



>>> "Amor Venter" <[cme.admin@wispernet.co.za](mailto:cme.admin@wispernet.co.za)> 18 May 2017 11:06 >

Hiermee wil ek net my mening lig oor verhoogte belasting gelde.  
Ek is al 22 jaar hier en sukkel om ook om staande te bly, hier in George is mense wat ook net so swaar kry, die verkope is baie af die laaste paar maande en ek skryf dit toe aan die groei van George.

Ek skryf dit af aan mense wat hier na toe kom en dan soort van in die selfde bedryf wil besigheid doen as ook ander besighede dan moet ons wat al solank poog om n bestaan te maak hier daar onder ly.  
Ek het bewyse daarvan.

Maar ek wil beswaar maak teen die verhoogde munisipale belasting , dit blyk dan ook teweens dat werkskepping hier onder gaan ly ek oorweeg dit om dieselfde te doen verminder personeel waarvan ons net drie persone is, miskien sal dit die ekstra R700.00 wat ek moet opdok per maand kan haal.

Dieselfde gaan vir my woning in 10 Amandel straat, ek betaal alreeds R970.00 per maand , terwyl mense om my veel minder betaal.

Kan u asb. Hierna kyk.

Dankie  
Am venter

Chamo Marketing Enterprise  
No 2 tweede straat  
George  
044-8712824



## **Allodene Jonas**

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Thursday, 18 May 2017 11:42  
**To:** Moos Cupido; Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: increase property rates

**From:** Accounts@george.org.za [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 18 May 2017 11:33  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: increase property rates

>>> "thefischers@vodamail.co.za" <27827991899@vodamail.co.za> 18 May 2017 11:15 >>>

Acc. No: GRG 1001548487

Mr./Ms MK Fischer

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Dear Madam/Sir,

We oppose strongly against a 11% increase in property rates. This is nearly double the inflation rate in SA and not allowed according to our constitution.

It is already difficult for us pensioners ( Rand , not Euro pensioners!!) to survive as it is with the permanent increases we have to live with.

Trusting you will rectify the increase we remain

Yours faithfully

Martina & Kurt Fischer



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>>> Pauline Lester <[plester@webmail.co.za](mailto:plester@webmail.co.za)> 15 May 2017  
17:26

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To whom it may concern.

Please be advised that I am a ratepayer for both residential and business properties.

I object strongly to the proposed tariff increases from 01.07.2017. It is inconceivable that an 11% increase is proposed for the Rates increase when the countries growth is less than .01%. I am still reeling from the last Electricity increase never mind entertaining the idea of another increase no matter how small.

In fact all the increases are ludicrous. There should not be an increase at all, in fact there should be a gradual decrease as there are more and more people arriving in George all paying more rates and taxes to this municipality.

I look forward to a favourable reply.

Yours faithfully

Pauline Lester

**From:** Carol [mailto:carolja@telkomsa.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 18 May 2017 16:06  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** INCREASED TARIFFS

Dear Ms Meyer

**ERF 26598 ACCOUNT No 1002220557**

Further to our telephone conversation of this afternoon I hereby wish to lodge my objection to the massive proposed tariff increases.

I am a 75-year-old pensioner and these increases will make a huge negative impact on my pension.

I thank you and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours faithfully

MRS C S JARDINE  
12 Towerkop Road  
Kraaibosch Village  
Telephone number 044 887 0080  
Cell no 082 554 5413



Case Rijsdijk" <particles@mweb.co.za> 18 May 2017 16:07 >>>

Dear Ms Langeveld,

I would like to lodge a strong complaint about the rates increase scheduled for 1 July, 2017, at 11%

My wife and I are both professional people, she in Music and myself as an Astronomer/Physicist. Even though we have "retired", we are both still academically active, but live on our combined, very small pension.

We eventually had to move out of Cape Town in 2006 as it had become too expensive to live there, sold up and moved to the peace and quiet of Wilderness to a modest home. I serve on a few Advisory Councils and occasionally we can supplement our income by doing some consulting and teaching - but it's not easy to come out every month with our earnings. Pension increases have been less than 5% for the past few years, which has already put us behind in trying to keep up with the CoL.

A few years ago the value of my property was more than doubled! I appealed, won my appeal and ended up with a modest, but to me, still an excessive increase. An 11% increase in our rates is unacceptable, and could well force us to sell-up, at a great loss as property prices are currently poor, and move to a cheaper rural area. This would be difficult as it would mean that we would have to stop our occasional consulting and teaching as we need to be close to George Airport to fulfil our obligations - (our S&T is paid for, so we are not out of pocket) and as a result we could be forced into this.

I am also convinced that our position is not unique, and I am more than happy to meet with you and discuss our position and bring with me my tax returns, bank statements and whatever else you require, to try and negotiate a more equitable settlement for those whose income is below certain amount, along the lines of:

less than R15k pm - 0% increase  
from R15k - 25k pm - 3.5% increase  
from R25k - 50k pm - 7% increase  
and R50K + pm - 11% increase

There must be a way that the Municipality can take into account the stress that increases such as 11% is putting onto pensioners?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Case

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"Is becomes Something"

>>> Lee-ang <[clritualnoize@gmail.com](mailto:clritualnoize@gmail.com)> 18 May 2017 23:04 >>>

Let it be duly noted that as a resident of George I am against the proposed rate hike.

It is absolutely ridiculous to propose a rate higher than inflation.

Stop lining politician pockets!!!

Name: Marien

Surname: Meyer

Mobile:

Email: [meyer.marien@gmail.com](mailto:meyer.marien@gmail.com)

Message: RE INCREASE IN SERVICE RATES:

I am appalled to hear of the proposed increase. We already do not see any new developments in our area as the budget is spend on upgrading walkways and beautifying the greater George areas that does not even pay or pay minimum rates. May I also add that these upgrades are not even appreciated as it is destroyed even more quickly. Why should we keep on paying higher taxes and not see any of the Budget spend in our areas. We live in Denneoord. We need lights replaced in our street as it is a very dark street. We need a good spotlight in the park across the road as this is a common drug trafficking area. The newly built Jungle gym in the park was vandalised during the night. It was too dark to approach these individuals. Are there upgrades in sight for our walkways in front of our houses too? The train crossing that connects Mitchell street with Charlotte street can be opened for traffic.

This will decrease the traffic jams to get to Wellington street from Mitchell street in the afternoons considerably. The bridge in Wellington Street do not have protective barriers on the side to stop someone from throwing things at cars. I have seen several children playing on the concrete slabs on the sides of the bridge. If they fall in front of a car, who will be held responsible? Safety barriers is needed there too. We need a safe environment too. After all we are paying for it.

I truly hope that the increase will be in accordance with most salary increase for 2017, which was 7.3%.

Your sincerely

Marien Meyer

Send to: [accounts@george.org.za](mailto:accounts@george.org.za)



EC Knottenbelt

**Postal:** PO Box 2055. George. 6530

**Residential:** 17 Spreeu Street. Eden. George

**Tel** 044 8714333 **Cell** 083 4599107

The Municipal Manager  
George Municipality  
71 York Street  
George6529

Thursday, 18 May 2017

Dear sir,

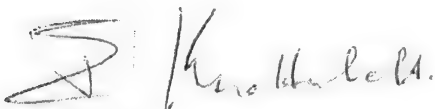
OBJECTION TODRAFT TARIFF INCREASES

I hereby raise my objection in the strongest of terms to the Draft tariff increases as indicated in Edition 21 of the municipal Newsletter dated April 2017.

The proposed increases in Property Rates (11%), Water (8%), Sanitation (8%) and Refuse Removal (15%) are above the inflation rate **and are not acceptable.**

I further state that as elected officials the City Council is obligated to act within the mandate given by the taxpaying voters and should summarily withdraw such proposed tariff increases and reconsider and motivate all increases to the electorate.

Yours sincerely



Eugene Knottenbelt

## **FREDESCO BK**

**Reg no:** 2009/100894/23

17 Gloucester Street George 6529 PO Box 41 George 6530

**Aan:** DIE Munisipale Bestuurder

19/05/2017

**IN SAKE: DIE BO INFLASIE VERHOGING van die ERF BELASTING**  
**Wyk 13 erf 5041 0001 Rek no: GRG 1001549921**

Goeie dag Meneer,

Hiermee wil ons 'n versoek tot u rig dat ons werklik voel dat 'n 11% verhoging (amper dubbel die amptelike inflasie koers) nie regverdig is nie & dat sodanige verhoging regtig nie volhoubaar is nie. Die erf is jare gelede sonder dat ons aansoek gedoen het daarvoor vir Besigheid gesoneer. Dit het die Belasting meer as 3 voudig laat toeneem.....

**Ons versoek dus dat u asseblief NIE ons belasting met meer as 6% laat toeneem nie.**

Ons wag vir u gunstige toestemming.

Hoogagtend die Uwe



**Erik & Deseré van Heerden**

Trustees van Fredesco Family Trust wat Fredesco CC 100% besit

## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Carey Jansen Van Vuuren  
**Sent:** Monday, 22 May 2017 07:50  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Proposed tariff changes

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**From:** Kevin Leonard [mailto:treemanleonard9@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** 20 May 2017 15:25  
**To:** Carey Jansen Van Vuuren <cejansenvanvuuren@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Proposed tariff changes

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** Kevin Leonard <treemanleonard9@gmail.com>  
**Date:** 20 May 2017 at 15:19  
**Subject:** Proposed tariff changes  
**To:** [carey@george.org.za](mailto:carey@george.org.za)

With regards to the proposed tariff increases I wish to object most strongly to any inc official inflation rate of 6.04 %

As a pensioner, I feel financially unable to afford the tariffs you are putting forward!

Regards

Kevin Leonard

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Regards:  
Kevin B. Leonard.  
Phone 0448733625  
PO Box 4274 South Africa.  
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B.J. & H.F. Viljoen  
Huis No. 83  
Gholfpark 2  
Heather Park, George  
19 Mei 2017.

Geagte Mnr.

i/s Munisipale Belasting; Erf. No. 21091.

Ons is werklik hewig ontsteld oor die buitensporige verhoging in Erf Belasting hierdie jaar. Ons is bejaarde Pensioenarisse van 85 en 78 jaar onderskeidelik en met ons karige maandelikse Pensioen kan ons beslis nie 'n verhoging van 11 % bekostig nie. Ons het slegs 'n verhoging van 6 % in ons maandelikse pensioen hierdie jaar ontvang, wat darm gelykstaande aan inflasie is, maar waar Kom julle verhoging van 11 % vandaan teenoor 'n inflasiekoers van ongeveer 6% ? dit is vir Ons onverstaanbaar en ook onverklaarbaar asook onaanvaarbaar.

Ons vertrou dat julle bogenoemde ernstig sal heroorweeg.

Die uwe,



B.J. en H.F. Viljoen.

POSBUS 5013,  
GEORGE-005. 6539.  
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22 MEI 2017.

AREA 21 13463 00001.

Rek nr: 1001287766.

GEORGE MUNISIPALITEIT.

I. V. M. GRONDBESLASTING VERHOOGING.

HIERMEE WIL EK NET MY MENING NIG OOR DIE  
VERHOOGING IN GRONDBESLASTING, RIOOL, WATER EN WUINS.  
EK VRA ENKE JAAR VIR VERLIGTING, WANT EK IS OP MY  
MAN VAN 89 JAAR OUD SE PENSIOEN. DIT RAAK ENKE JAAR  
MOEILIKER OM TE OORKEEF. HIERMEE VRA EK WEER  
VERGINNING VIR VERLIGTING OM NIE VIR MY DIT TE HOOG  
TE MAAK NIE. OP DIE EINDE SAL EK NOODSAKLIK WEES  
OM MY EIENDOM TE MOET VERKOOP AS DIE GRONDBESLASTING  
MET SO 'N GEWENDIGE PAS STUIG IN PRYS.

BAIE DANKIE

MEUCJ KOUW.

*Jouw.*

Posbus 5013.

GEORGE - 003 6539.

CHOUERHILL FARM CC.

Ligging: PRASE.

Rek nr: 1001455118.

AREA: 91 180 00000.

GEORGE MUNISIPALITEIT.

i. v. m. GRONDBEASTING.

HIERMEE WIL EK NET MY MENING LIG OOR DIE  
VERHOOGING IN GRONDBEASTING. DIT RAAK VIR MY AN MOEIKIKER  
OM ALLES TE BETAAK 5003 GRONDBEASTING OP DIE PLAAS.  
EK MOET ALLES BETAAK UIT MY PENSIOEN UIT, EN DIT  
RAAK AL HOE MOEIKIKER ELKE JAAR. EK IS OP MY MAN  
SE PENSIOEN AANGEWEESE OM N BISTAN TE MAAK. EK  
URA VERGINNING OM NIE DIT VIR MY NOG SWAARDIER TE  
MAAK OM DIE GRONDBEASTING TE HOOG TE MAAK NIE.

BAIE DANKIE  
Joni.



3 Third Avenue,  
Fernridge,  
George

20 May 2017

To Magda Meyer  
Municiple Budget Office  
Finance Department  
George

rf The proposed high rate tariff Increase  
Dear Madam,

We are most surprised that such a high increase is needed at this time in South Africa. We would like to know how the budget is to be spent. As rate payers we were asked to be involved in the election and since then we have not heard a word from our Ward Councillor.

As this is still a democratic country the council members represent the voters choice and therefore the voters should be involved in the matters of the council. We are on pensions which only rose 5.3% and therefore find this proposed rate of 11% too high!

Please can you explain why

these high tariffs are necessary

From <sup>(MRS)</sup> Janet Hart

erf. ① GRG 100126 6688

② GRG 100126 6671

Ms JE HART

To:  
Municipality George  
Dep: Rates + Taxes

Ingrid Müller-Boerl  
Widowess 6560  
Boer Av. 652  
22.5-2017

Dear Sir,

Regarding the announcement of the  
high increases of Rates and Taxes from  
1. July 2017.

In my opinion is the high increase  
in Rates and Taxes out of proportion  
towards the inflation Rate.

My late Husband had build a small  
two Bedroom house on the purpose to  
live there in our Retirement Time.

As a pensioner and widow, with the  
low income (less than R8000,- p.a.) I  
am dependance on my house to live  
here, free of Bonds.

Since years past, the situation has  
changed. My low pension income  
stays as it is for lifetime. The  
proposed increase of the property Rates  
are completely out of proportion to  
the inflation Rate.



(24)  
George Municipality  
Rates Dept.

Mr M. E. VOSSEATTER  
Box 840  
WILDERNESS  
6560

22.05.2017.

account no. GRG 1001316855 (612)  
GRG. 1001316879 (613)

Dear Sir,

I cannot afford your excessive price hikes. I am a 74 year old widow and have moved to this house that I have inherited from my mother in 1995. I live off a limited income.

I also own the property next to me (empty plot) which has lost its value due to the noise from the N2, which affects both properties very much.

Thank you

Yours faithfully,

M. E. Vosseatter

REK. N<sup>o</sup>: GRG 29181880100,

D. CLAASSEN

MERRIMAN STR. 57A

GEORGE SUID. EXP 181899

GEHTE MUNISIPALE BESTUURDER,

EK IS IN PENSIONAARIS MET 'N INKOMSTE  
VAN R8083.05 PER MAAND. MY PENSION BLY DIE SELDE THAINT  
JAAR UIT, MET GEEN VERHOOGING OF KERS BONES. MET ANDER Woorde  
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OM U VOLGENDE VERHOOGING BLY TE BRING.

Bly Voor Baan Dank

DIE LINC

D. CLAASSEN.

George 2017-05-23 09.05

S. K. SINGH

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37 Goutenay St

George  
Lt Colonel

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Die Munisipale Bestuurder

George Munisipaliteit

Yorkstraat

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**RE: Klagte oor beoogde Tariefverhogings**

Ek is 'n Spoornet Pensionaris sedert 1994 – soos wat u bewus is, is daar tans 'n hofstryd aan die gang rakende die jaarlikse verhogings van slegs 1 % wat ons kry – ver onder inflasie. Die medies gaan jaarliks op met meer as ons verhoging en jaar na jaar boer ons net meer agteruit.

Sou julle voortgaan met die beplande verhoging van tot 15 % op julle dienste ( wat ver bo inflasie is ) sal ons dit nie meer kan bekostig om selfs in ons huis te bly nie.

Ek versoek dus met die skrywe dat julle dink aan die inwoners van George en die tariewe ernstig heroorweeg . Ons kan dit eenvoudig nie meer bekostig nie.

U is welkom om my te kontak in die verband.



JH De Swardt

044 8732538



## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 09:11  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: re: Rates for Stand objection

**From:** Accounts Accounts [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 08:13  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: re: Rates for Stand objection

>>> "Far Niente Beachfront Guesthouse" <[reservations@far-niente.co.za](mailto:reservations@far-niente.co.za)> 22 May 2017 20:30 >>>  
ATTENTION George Municipality RATES  
Account :GRG 1001318259 Eight Avenue Vacant Stand  
Name: Mr & Mrs A.B Ward P>O> Box 77 Wilderness 6560

At the meeting in Wilderness at the Hotel I did bring my dissatisfaction to the Ward Councillor and all others present.

I required a FULL explanation as to why our rates had jumped from R645.20 -24/06/2016 per month to R963.90 – 26/07/2016 increase of 49.4% increase why ?? with no positive explanation and now we are being asked to suffer a 11% increase this year- Why should I pay for REFUSE REMOVAL where there is NONE just because your vehicle rides past the stand???

Please explain to me how a RESIDENTIAL stand suddenly becomes an INDUSTRIAL STAND ???? - Have all these changes been officially recognised & accepted.

My answer I regret the day we bought the stand ALL the charges monthly and with the weak rand we shall not recoup much. Hoping to Sell soon!!!

As we are Pensioners working to keep afloat

Glenda & Albert Brian Ward (Managers) Far-Niente

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 09:11  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Tariff Increase

**From:** Accounts Accounts [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 07:51  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Tariff Increase

>>> Helena Saayman <[beanieca@hotmail.com](mailto:beanieca@hotmail.com)> 22 May 2017 19:27 >>>  
FYA

Herewith I would like to add my voice in protest of steep increases.

Please respond soonest  
Helena Saayman

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 09:10  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Beswaar teen tarief verhogings

**From:** Accounts Accounts [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 07:50  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Beswaar teen tarief verhogings

>>> Elmien Joubert <[elmienjoubert6@gmail.com](mailto:elmienjoubert6@gmail.com)> 22 May 2017 19:06 >>>  
Wie dit mag aangaan

Ek voel dat die Munisipale tarief verhogings wat aangekondig is vir die komende finansiële jaar buitensporig is. Soos dinge huidiglik is sukkel ek reeds om die Munisiaple rekening te betaal, dit sonder om eers melding te maak van die krag. Ek het reeds aansoek ingedien in 'n poging om verligting, aangesien my Munisipale waardasie baie hoër is as my aankoop prys of die prys van huise in my onmiddellike omgewing. Daar is nie 'n manier wat ek as enkelma met drie afhanklike kinders hierdie verhogings ook nog sal kan bekostig nie. Ons almal sukkel finansiëel soos die ekonomie huidiglik is, maar verhogings hoër as inflasie is om ons wat getrou betaal keel af te sny. Ek KAN dit NIE bekostig nie. Asseblief heroorweeg u besluit.

Groete

Elmien Joubert  
082 374 7702

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**From:** Anita Scheepers <Anita-s@george.org.za>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 08:14  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** Fwd: STYGING VAN EIENDOMSBELASTING

Goeiedag Allodene

Die bygaande epos het betrekking.

Ek het verneem die kommentaar moet na jou toe kom vir liasering en hantering vir die betrokke Raadsvergadering.

Laat weet gerus as die bogenoemde nie korrek is so nie.

Dit sal waardeer word as jy ontvangs kan erken aan die klient.

Byvoorbaat dankie

Anita Scheepers  
>>> "Tina" <tina@retail.spar.co.za> 2017/05/22 12:19 PM >>>  
Geagte Me of Mnr

Ek wil net hiermee vriendelik protes aanteken i.v.m. die nuwe eiendomsbelasting tariewe.

Ek woon in Kamassiestraat, Denverpark en daar is in jare niks aand die deel v.d. straat waarin ek bly gedoen nie. Net die eerste helfte van die pad het verlede jaar aandag gekry. Dit voel regtig vir my asof die dienslewering nie konstant is met die tariewe verhoging nie.

Ek woon al ongeveer 35 jaar by my huidige adres – het George toe gekom (1970) as 'n tiener toe my ouers hier kom aftree het en dit raak al hoe moeiliker om 'n mens se "budget" te klop.

Volgens my inligting is die verhoging hoër as die huidige inflasie-koers en dit raak my vermoë om aan te hou meer-en-meer te betaal.

Ek is 60 en kry 'n gewone gemiddelde salaris wat baie minder is as wat inwoners van die ander stede kry. Ek verstaan dat amper "almal" deesdae in George wil bly en stroom hulle hierheen – wat wonderlik is – maar nou raak dit baie moeilik vir ons wat al die jare hier bly.

Ek vra dus asb dat u hierdie strawwe verhogings sal her-oorweeg.

Baie dankie.

TINA COETZEE ( J.C. COETZEE  
Kamassiestr. 12  
Denverpark  
GEORGE  
6530

044 870 0911 (8-5)

23-05-2017

Die Adjunk Direkteur van Inkomste (Mnr. Cupido)  
George Munisipaliteit  
George

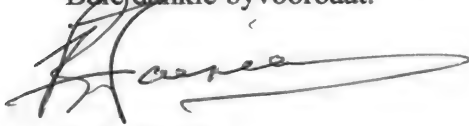
Van: P.A. Fourie  
Marthinusstraat 4  
George Erf No. 3350

Meneer

Ek sal dit baie waardeer indien u die huidige verhoging in munisipale belasting kan hersien aangesien dit na my mening te hoog is.

Baie mense in George is afgetree waarvan ek ook een is en die belasting is al n groot deel van my maandelikse pensioen.

Baie dankie byvoorbaat.



P.A. Fourie



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C.B. Muller  
AJ Werth Str 4  
George  
23/05/2017

Bestuursraad  
George Munisipaliteit  
George.

Beswaarde uitgetreede, bejaarde inwoner van George.

Ek sluit graag aan by die beswaardes, aangaande ons Munisipaliteit se Voorneme om ons Stadsbewoners nog verder geheel en al te probeer uitmelk.

Ek en baie ander is diep beswaard oor die voorstelle in die huidige vorm. Dat daar aanpassings gemaak moet word is 'n gegewe, maar waaragtig nie in die mate wat julle voorlegging aandui nie. Ek wil nie politiek hierby insleep nie, maar soos hulle in Engels se ( what is good for goose is good for the gander).

Ek verneem graag waarom is daar geen laer tarief korting bestaan vir die bejaardes nie? Laat ons om ons rondkyk, dan sien ons 'n menigte hoeveelheid mense wat almal water, elektriese krag, sanitasie, verwydering van vullis en ander dienste ontvang en baie minder of gladnie betaal vir hierdie dienste nie. Nou vra ek myself af of die voorgestelde verhooging ook sal geld vir die sulkes wat die minimum betaal. Indien nie waarom nie? dit kom in kort neer op diskriminasie. Is ons bejaardes wat op 'n karige bedraggie geld moet oorlewe nie ook in die selfde bootjie as die andere "bevooregte" sukkelende burgers van ons Stad nie?

Alle dank en eer aan die gene wat vanwee hulle entrepreneurskap van watter aard ookal, besoekers en baie besigheid na ons Stad toe lok, wat bydra tot die voorspoed en voordeel van ons Stad. Omdat hierdie persone geld het, soos ons in die volksmond sou sê: Beteken nie dat hulle ook uit-gemergel moet word nie.

Dit sal beslis sin maak indien daarna gekyk word na die gene wat min betaal en party niks nie, ook 'n klein bydrae moet begin maak om ons koffers te help vul, want die stad bedien hulle in die selfde mate as die res van die betaalendes ( Daar is van die nie betalers wat wel goeie inkomste verdien en wegkom sonder om enige bydrae te maak.)

Waar is die "menseregte groepe" wat spog met alle soorte van sukses? Laat hulle asseblief toetree tot die redding van die onderdruktes. Hierdie hele oefening grens total aan diskriminasie teen blankes en andere ook wat dit nie kan bekostig nie en eenvoudig net moet betaal, of duistere toekoms is jou voorland.

Skrap die hele oefening en begin voor en betrek dan die leiers van ons gemeenskap en die kundiges wat weet van bestuur van fondse en wat insette kan lewer insover dit die hele gemeenskap aangaan.

"Enigiets wat verniet wegegee word, word deurgetrek en nie waardeer nie"

Clem.

*Clem*

(11)

Budget Office  
Magda Meyer

22/5/2017.

To whom it may concern,

I hereby would like the Council to reconsider the rate increase for 2017-2018. I appreciate that the tariffs have to be raised annually, but the proposed tariffs are very high. Being a pensioner and the cost of living rising rapidly, without the assistance of S.A.S.S.A I find that to make ends meet is becoming very difficult.

R. Cahill

21 Dennegeus Av.

## Magda Meyer

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**From:** Accounts Accounts <Accounts@george.org.za>  
**Sent:** Friday, 19 May 2017 12:17  
**To:** Magda Meyer  
**Subject:** Fwd: GRG 8093690502

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Tarief beswaar

>>> Carole Mullock <dwmullock@gmail.com> 19 May 2017 11:33 >>>

Dear Sir.

Further to my Conversation with one of the clerks in regard to our municipal Account rates increase, i am opposed to the high increase and would like to put on record my objection.

Regards.

Dennis Mullock

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# Kan ons hoë belasting oorleef?

**Evert van der Horst, George:**  
Geagte Munisipale Bestuurder,  
Die voorlopige begroting 2017/2018 verwys  
en begin reeds 1 Julie 2017.

Munisipale belasting - hoe gaan ons  
oorleef? Vanaf begin Julie 2017 verhoog  
die belasting sodanig dat ons almal erg  
daardeur geraak word. Elektriesiteit is  
sekerlik die duurste in George in vergelyking  
met die ander omliggende Suid-Kaapse  
dorpe.

Die inflasie koers is 6,47% maar ek  
vermoed dat ons munisipale belasting sal  
verhoog met syfers soos 11% vir erfbalasting,

15% vir vuilisverwydering, 8% vir water,  
8% vir riool, ens. Hier is 'n groot en baie  
onbillike verskil tussen " aankoop en diens".  
Kry ons werklik waarde vir ons fooie? Ek  
dink nie so nie.

Ek voel die agbare raad is 'n verduideliking  
verskuldig aan die belastingbetalers vir  
hierdie groot verskille (vorige paragraaf ).  
Ek betaal nie hierdie verskille met 'n lekker  
hart nie en vestig medebelastingbetakers se  
aandag hierop.

Ek/ons verneem graag verduideliking en  
regverdiging vir die groot verskille soos bo  
genoem. Dank u by voorbaat.

## Ratepayer demands tax answers

**Wolfgang Schaub, George:**  
I am referring to the municipal draft budget  
2017/18.

The 2017 inflation rate in South Africa  
amounted to 6,04 %. The Council is  
requested to explain why the proposed tariff  
increases as from 1 July 2017:

1) surmount the inflation rate considerably?

2) exceed the limit set by South African  
law?

The Council is advised that I am not willing  
to pay fees as outlined in the draft unless  
satisfactory explanation as to 1) and 2) is  
given.

( Comment from the George Municipality  
regarding the matter is being awaited. Ed)

## George se belasting is te hoog

**Les Hayward, George:**

Dit is in baie opsigte 'n voorreg om in  
George te kan woon. Miskien het baie van  
ons al so gewoon geraak aan die positiewe  
wat ons hier beleef dat ons dit nie elke dag  
meer raaksien en waardeer nie.

Luister maar na die vele besoekers se  
verhale oor die agteruitgaan en verval van  
die dorpe waar hulle woon.

Ons dorp staan nie sonder rede bekend as  
die "Tuin" in die Tuinroete nie. Om hierdie  
naam in ere te behou is daar twee belangrike  
rolspelers. Eerstens is daar 192,755 inwoners  
op George wat die "Tuin" finansiël in stand  
moet hou. Van hierdie inwoners het 67.24%  
'n baie lae inkomste en 14.67% 'n gemiddelde  
inkomste. Slegs 18.08% val onder die  
hoër inkomste groep. Selfs ses van die  
sogenaamde meer goeie woonbuurte het  
18.07% van die inwoners 'n gemiddelde baie  
lae inkomste.

Hierdie statistiek in ag genome laat by my  
kommerwekkende en onrustige vrae oor  
die voorgestelde persentasie verhoging van  
11% in tariewe in eiendomsbelasting vir die  
2017/2018 finansiële jaar.

Die vrae ontstaan nou by my: is die  
finansiële vermoëns van die inwoners in ag  
geneem by die bepaling van die verhogings?  
Kan die belastingbetalers hierdie verhoging,

saam met die verhogings op vele ander  
terreine, bekostig?

Hiermee saam kom nog die voorgestelde  
verhoging in elektriesiteit-aankope van  
1.88%.

Die grootste inkomste van die  
munisipaliteit is vanuit hierdie bron. My  
navraag by verskeie dorpe het getoon dat  
George onder die hoogste tariewe hef. Moet  
daar nou hierdie verhoogde tariewe gehef  
word met die verskoning dat Nersa dit  
aanbeveel? Daar word ook vir 'n oorskot  
van R129 949 begroot. Is die algemeen  
aanvaarde reël nie dat daar nie vir 'n tekort/  
surplus begroot behoort te word nie? Die  
tweede belangrike rolspelers is die raadslede.  
Hulle is deur die belastingbetalers verkies en  
aangestel om hulle belange voorop te stel.  
Nou is die vraag in 'n openbare munisipale  
vergadering met reg gevra of die betrokke  
raadslid in 'n wyk sy wyk bymekaar sal  
roep en onomwonde aan hulle sal sê dat hy/  
sy vir die verhoging in tariewe gestem het.  
Raadslede is hiermee uitgedaag. Natuurlik  
wil ons ons "Tuin" laat blom, maar dan  
binne ons beperkte finansiële vermoë en met  
kundige bestuur.

Skriftelike beswaar teen die voorgestelde  
verhogings kan nog tot 24 Mei 2017 ingedien  
word.

18 MAY 2017



## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Deon van der Rijst <deonvanderrijst@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 08:59  
**To:** accounts@george.org.za  
**Subject:** Propose against teriff hike

Good day,

I am not in accordance of the new teriff hike. It will hit the poor people even more. My mon and dad whom also stay in George will suffer even more.

It is an ridiculous amount that are being requested. I stay in Blanco and I can assure you that the municipality is not as active there as in town. Street lighs are left damage for months, some even years. Parks are not kept clean. Graveyards are left to be destroyed and no fence or lights are put in place to avoid this. Pavements were hand made in die 80's and are damage. We have roads that needs urgent attention.

Talking about the 3way split. Knysna, Outshoorn and Mossel Bay. The Municipality spend lots of money on that and it is big problem. It is the main entrance coming from Outshoorn to Mossel bay via GPS. Many visitors make use of this area when they travel. Is it a shame.

I opposes the new teriff hike.

Thanks,  
Deon van der Rijst

14 Old Bridge Road  
Oaklands Bridge Country Estate  
Heather Park  
George  
6529

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017

George Municipality  
P.O. Box 19  
George  
6530

**Attention: Mrs Magda Meyer (Finance Department)**

Dear Mrs Meyer

**FORMAL OBJECTION IN RESPECT OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN RATES AND SERVICES WITH EFFECT 1<sup>st</sup> JULY 2017**

As a concerned property owner in George, I would like to place my formal objection on record in respect of the proposed increases in rates and services effective 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017. The property rates increase of 11% and waste removal of 15% in particular, are of major concern, as these increases are way in excess of inflation.

In these challenging economic times, how can the municipality expect to simply pass on these exorbitant increases to fund the operating budget. Perhaps the operating budget should rather be reviewed and rationalized.

Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof and should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on tel (044) 874 1575.

Yours faithfully



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**Chris Kleu**

45 Bokmakierie Street  
Eden  
George  
6529

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017

George Municipality  
P.O. Box 19  
George  
6530

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Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof and should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on tel (044) 873 5070

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Chandler', with a stylized flourish underneath.

**Dean Chandler**

Posbus 9177

GEORGE

6530

Belasting Afdeling

Munisipaliteit

GEORGE

6530

23 Mei 2017

AAN WIE DIT MAG AANGAAN

Verhoging van Munisipale Belastings – ERF 8580

Hiermee wil ek graag versoek dat my Munisipale Belasting nie verhoog word nie om die volgende redes:

1. Ek is 'n ongetroude dame sonder ekstra hulp
2. EK huur op die oomblik 'n goedkoper huis, omdat ek nie finansieel kan uitkom nie
3. Ek is besig om my Munisipale planne in orde te kry (Verw 917/8580)

EK sal dit hoog opprys stel indien u my tegemoet kan kom en nie my belasting verhoog nie.

Die uwe



Mev CF Puren

14 Nederburglaan

63 Erica Street ,George,6529

Subject: Objection to increase Rates and Electricity

Dear Sir/Mam,

I hope this email reaches you well. Please proceed to consider the following facts and indicate how we can resolve the issues i describe below. I lodge an objection.

1. Object and do not accept tacitly or other way the rates increases of 11%.Current property rates are already unaffordable. Reasons for this are :
  - Louis Moller and A P Moller receive no salaries and are of pensioner age.
  - 63 Erica is overvalued at R2,484,000 an above average valuation and inconsistent with estate agent valuation. A willing buyer needs to be found who would offer this amount.
2. Objection to any increase in electricity rates increases. Municipality raised electricity rates 1 July 2016 but judge Cynthia Pretorius moneyweb article set the increase aside yet George went ahead and increased electricity rates. 9.4% rate increase occurred instead of 3.51%.

<https://www.moneyweb.co.za/news/industry/court-sets-aside-eskom-tariff-increase-irrational-unfair-unlawful/>

## Court sets aside Eskom tariff increase – ‘irrational, unfair, unlawful’

Efficiency of IPP should have been considered.

Antoinette Slabbert / 17 August 2016 00:01

It will be up to the national energy regulator (Nersa) to decide how to “unscramble the egg” after the North Gauteng High Court on Tuesday set aside the interim tariff increase it granted to Eskom in March.

The result of the decision is that customers should have been subjected to a 3.51% increase instead of the 9.4% that was implemented to Eskom's direct customers on April 1 and passed on to municipal customers on July 1.

Judge Cynthia Pretorius said the decision is of such a technical nature that it is best for the court to refrain from making it and to refer it back to Nersa.

Pretorius found that Nersa's decision to grant Eskom an additional R11.2 billion in revenue for higher-than-expected energy costs and lower sales in 2013/14, was irrational, unfair and unlawful and set the decision aside.

In addition to the above the power lines in front of my property on the pavement are arcing and shorting creating power surges in the household causing outside lights to turn on consuming additional electricity I have to pay for. The power surges have damaged electronic equipment. They result from overgrown trees that touch the lines in wind conditions causing arcing, flashes and explosions. These are dangerous to the public who walk down the street and the trees could ignite and this presents a Fire hazard.

Yours Sincerely

Moller family 63 Erica Street



## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 14:33  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Voorgestelde Verhoging op jaarlikse tariewe erwe 2363 - 1001898225,2378 - 1001898232

**From:** Accounts Accounts [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 14:27  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Voorgestelde Verhoging op jaarlikse tariewe erwe 2363 - 1001898225,2378 - 1001898232

Beswaar

>>> "Marthli Kruger" <[asps@iafrica.com](mailto:asps@iafrica.com)> 23 May 2017 14:25 >>>

Goeie middag

Ek merk met ontsteltenis dat eiendomsbelasting miv 1 Julie 2017 met 11% styg. My besigheid kry tans geen inkomste nie en hierdie verhoging gaan dit net soveel moeiliker maak om die belasting te betaal. U verhoginig is ook heelwat hoer as die inflasiekoers. Sal u asb dit heroorweeg om die belasting met 11 % te verhoog.

Groete

M Becker  
Kleinkranz Prop Venture CC

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## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Cheryl Langeveldt <Cheryl@george.org.za>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 13:30  
**To:** Cobus Louw  
**Cc:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** Re: FW: Kommentaar op voorgestelde begroting, tariefverhogings en waardasielys

Allodene,

Voeg hierdie brief ook op die lys.

Groete  
Cheryl.

>>> "Cobus Louw" <cobus.louw@telkomsa.net> 23/05/2017 13:11 >>>

**Subject:** FW: Kommentaar op voorgestelde begroting, tariefverhogings en waardasielys

Die Munisipale Bestuurder,

George Munisipaliteit,

George.

Vir aandag Cheryl Langeveldt:

Ek is die eienaar van 'n erf in wildernis, erf 2031, Kooboo Berry str, Constantiakloof.

Graag wil ek vertoe rig oor die volgende:

**1) Waardasie van erf 2031, Kooboo Berrystraat:**

Ek wil versoek dat die waardasie op bogenoemde erf heroorweeg word. Die rede daarvoor is dat vakante erwe se pryse in riele terme sfgeneem het oor die laaste 3 jaar en met die verhoogde eiendomsbelastingtarief, die pryse verder geaffekteer is. My persoonlike waardasie is ten beste R 680 000, wat minstens R 100,000 laer is as die huidige waardasie.

Omdat ek in Nelspruit bly en ek nie kennis vooraf kry van verhoogde tariewe nie, vind ek uit van die stygings nadat dit vir kommentaar gesluit het. So ek kon nie betyds appel aanteken in die verlede nie.

**2) Erfbelasting op vakante erwe:**

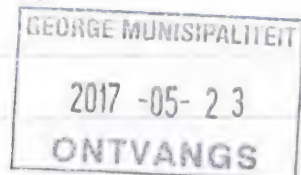
Persoonlik voel ek dat vakante erwe onnodiglik gestraf word met 'n tarief gelykstaande aan besigheidserwe. Omdat ek nie geldmaak uit die erf, soos 'n besigheid nie, voel ek dat die tarief onnodiglik hoog is en versoek ek dat dieselfde tarief soos vir residensiele erwe teruggebring word op vakante erwe asook die 15% rabat wat op residensiele erwe gegee word.

**3) Tarief vir vullisverwydering op vakante erwe:**



20 Sesdilaan  
DENNIS OORD  
GEORGE,  
6529

Die Munisipale Bestuurder  
George.



i/s. Munisipale verhogings min 1 Julie 2017.

Dit is met misnoe en kragtige kommer om  
keunis te neem van die beoogde tariefverhog-  
ing.

Ek is sedert 1995 op pensioen en het gedurende  
daardie jare klein salarisse ontvang met die groot  
dat ons pensioengelde ook maar min is. Die  
pensioen styg gemiddeld met min of meer 4,2%  
en a.g.v. die hoë inflasie sukkel pensioenarisse om  
kop bo water te hou. Ons verkam letterlik op 'n  
jaarlikse basis.

Die huidige tariefverhogings is horn as die infla-  
sietoers en is werklik onaanvaarbaar asook on-  
betroostigbaar. Ek betaal nog steeds af op my huis  
en het ook ander uitgawes wat my beskikbare  
fondse in 'n maand beperk.

Ek versoek die Dorpsraad om u.s.d. die be-  
oogde tariefverhoging in heroverweging te neem ten  
eind ons pensioenarisse teemoed te kom.

By voorbaad dank.

  
D.A. Basson

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To,

23/5/2017

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

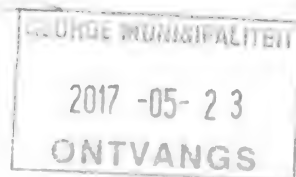
DEAR SIR,

MY WIFE AND I ARE PENSIONERS,  
THESE NEW INCREASES ON PROPERTY RATES OF 11,00%  
ARE TOO HIGH, THE OTHER INCREASES ARE ABOVE AVERAGE.  
WE DON'T GET ANNUAL INCREASES OF 10% ON OUR  
INVESTMENT, SO THIS WILL MAKE OUR BUDGET  
PER MONTH MUCH MORE DIFFICULT, I TRUST YOU  
WILL TAKE THIS INTO CONSIDERATION.

YOURS TRULY

JOHN AND MARY E PETERSON

Peter



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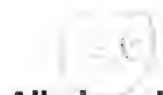


Date: Thu, 18 May 2017 13:10:26 +0200  
Subject: Rates increase  
Morning

I am writing to voice my concern regarding the proposed rates increase in the George area. Myself and my wife became home owner's in September 2015 after being renters for 5 years here in George. We are both active in Business but feel this proposed increase will put unnecessary strain on our available income from July. I am aware that all of us has cost increases but the increase must go hand in hand with inflation. My salary does not increase by this percentage each year also. Please forward this message to the right department .

Thank you. Fabian Scheepers 54 Stevens Street George.

F s c h e e P e r s



## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Ray Bradley <rayheather@vodamail.co.za>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 15:55  
**To:** accounts@george.org.za  
**Cc:** allodene@george.org.za; Allodene Jonas; anita-s@george.org.za  
**Subject:** Re objection to rates and services increases

Good day,

On a positive note, I must commend the George Municipality on the staff employed as to the interaction with the public and the availability of staff, especially Anita Scheepers, who took the time to explain the procedure to me on what process to follow with my case, thank you.

We have recently purchased a house in George, which we will be moving into on 2nd June 2017, as there are tenants residing in it at present. Since the purchase we have been paying all the services except the water consumption, which the tenants paid to me after I had paid the same to the municipality.

We are a retired couple and have been looking to our pension days in a relaxed environment, as George offers, only to find out over the last 2 days of the proposed rates and services increases which are way above the normal inflation rates of approx 6.5% and knowing full well this is also going to affect our expenses and erode what savings we have, over time.

We object to these increases and would also like to enquire as to whether the George Municipality has a special structure for pensioners as other Municipalities offer, in the form of a rebate, based on being retired.

My details are as follows;

Name.	R.R.Bradley
ID Number.	5010155161080
Address.	2 Loerie Haven 5 van Kervel Street Loerie Park, George,
Account Number.	GRG 1002270608
Cell Number.	082 372 7431
Email Address.	rayheather@vodamail.co.za

Hoping for a positive reply to my circumstances and objection queries.

Yours Faithfully,  
Ray Bradley (R.R.Bradley)

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## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 16:23  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Objection to the high Municipal increases

**From:** Garth Fitzpatrick [mailto:ggftz@telkomsa.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 16:07  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** FW: Objection to the high Municipal increases

To whom it concerns

I am very concerned with the proposed Municipal increases.  
I do not work and my wife's annual increase is 6% per annum. I get a pension of R600 rand per month. I think it is really terrible, that people already cutting corners to survive have to now to contend with these increases. These increases are unacceptable and for me unaffordable and should at least be kept the same rate as the inflation rate.

Please take this into consideration.

Thank you

Garth Fitzpatrick  
3 Stander St  
Bergsig  
George  
Email: [ggftz@telkomsa.net](mailto:ggftz@telkomsa.net)



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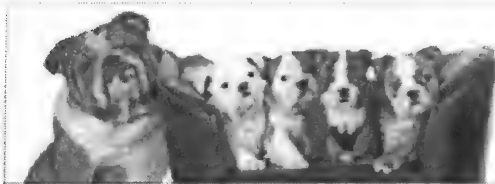
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**From:** Maria Coetsee <maria@sirwilderness.co.za>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 19:43  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** EXORBITANT PROPOSED INCREASE OF RATES AND TAXES/SERVICES - COMPLAINT CUT OFF 24 MAY 2017

**Importance:** High



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For Allodene Jonas

ATTENTION: MR CUPIDO

Dear Sir

I would like to lodge a formal complaint with regards to the proposed EXORBITANT increase of rates and taxes/services. The astronomical 11% increase on rates and 15% on refuse removal is absolutely outrageous! 8% For water and sewerage is also extremely high.

In my personal capacity and as a qualified, successful estate agent of 25 years with Sotheby's, I believe this will have a huge impact on people across the board, as well as on the property market. People are struggling to keep up with 'reasonable' increases, this type of increase could do a lot of damage. Already, for quite some time, the public are reluctant to invest in vacant land due to the excessive monthly municipal charges, with preposterous increases such as these, the vacant land market would, no doubt, come to a halt and development would cease. Potential buyers will think twice about owning a house and will look at renting instead, and investing their money in the bank. This brings me to my next point ...

For years there has been a huge shortage of rental accommodation in George/Wilderness and surrounds. Property owners, like myself, who own properties that they let, will also have to reconsider keeping their properties if the municipal costs soar, and would certainly not be able to buy more property to let. So where would all these people who are renting live if the rental market was reduced further due to disinvestment? We provide houses for the George community to rent but stand to be penalized with such immoderate municipal monthly charges. Tenants are reluctant to pay higher rental as the local average earning power is low, so there is a ceiling.

I own six properties in George and two in Wilderness, which are supposed to be my pension fund one day, with unreasonable monthly municipal charges, rising each year, one wonders whether it is worth it.

For reasons above, I sincerely hope that the proposed tariff increases for 1 July are reviewed and lowered considerably.

Many thanks.

Yours faithfully

Maria Coetsee



## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 08:35  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Objection - new property tax 2017



**From:** Trevor Botha [mailto:Tbotha@george.gov.za]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 08:08  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>; Leon Wallace <LeonW@george.org.za>; Moos Cupido <Moos@george.org.za>  
**Subject:** FW: Objection - new property tax 2017

**From:** H Becker [mailto:hbecker.1@gmx.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 13:58  
**To:** Trevor Botha <Tbotha@george.gov.za>  
**Cc:** WRRRA <wrra@tiscali.co.za>  
**Subject:** Objection - new property tax 2017

Dear Sir,

With the latest April newsletter (received 12.5.17 only) and during the IDP meeting on 11.5.17 we learned the shocking news that you intend to increase the

**property tax** alone by a staggering 11% (eleven percent).

We strongly object to this astronomical increase.  
The official inflation amounts to 6,4 % , whereas you double this again.

The government and public sectors duty is to keep inflation low, the George Municipality is instead accelerating inflation, to the detriment of the citizen.

Salaries , wages and also our pension does not increase, therefore such hikes of 11 % are unbearable and not justified.

Also other proposed increases as from 1.7.17, being 6 – 15 % are as well far above inflation and rather questionable, except electricity.

yours faithfully  
H.+S. Becker  
Wilderness

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 08:36  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Rate increase

**From:** Trevor Botha [mailto:Tbotha@george.gov.za]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 08:05  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>; Leon Wallace <LeonW@george.org.za>; Moos Cupido <Moos@george.org.za>  
**Subject:** FW: Rate increase

**From:** Enver Cassim [mailto:envercassim@ymail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 14:55  
**To:** Trevor Botha <Tbotha@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fw: Rate increase

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Begin forwarded message:

On Tuesday, May 23, 2017, 11:07, Enver Cassim <envercassim@ymail.com> wrote:

Dear sir

Do you really think the proposed tariff increases coming into effect on the 1st July are reasonable. Can you explain the huge difference between the inflation rate of 6.4% and the proposed steep increases. I think we need an explanation and we definitely don't get value for money  
Concerned resident

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 08:36  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Objection to Tariff Increases  
**Attachments:** 20170523 Objection to Tariff Increases.pdf  
  
**Importance:** High

**From:** Trevor Botha [mailto:Tbotha@george.gov.za]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 08:04  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>; Leon Wallace <LeonW@george.org.za>; Moos Cupido <Moos@george.org.za>  
**Subject:** FW: Objection to Tariff Increases  
**Importance:** High

**From:** Graham Sell [mailto:graham.sell@tiscali.co.za]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 19:35  
**To:** Trevor Botha <Tbotha@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Objection to Tariff Increases  
**Importance:** High

Dear Trevor

Attached is my letter of objection to the tariff increases for 2016/17 financial year.

Regards

Graham Sell

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The Municipal Manager  
George Municipality  
PO Box 19  
George 6530

Attention: Mr T. Botha

23rd May 2017

Dear Sir

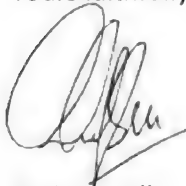
**Re: Proposed Tariff Increases for the 2017/18 Financial Year**

I wish to lodge my objection to the proposed tariff increases, which are outside the bounds of reasonability in relation to the published inflation rate.

I also find the attitude of municipal officials to be unacceptable when stating that if we want to live here that's what we have to pay, making no attempt to justify such exorbitant increases, which indicates there is no plausible justification. It was also indicated that service levels are immaterial, in that residents of Langvlei Dunes, for example, who receive absolutely no services from the municipality, are expected to pay the same rate as those who receive all the services. Surely it is obvious that equality in payment must be supported by equality of service delivery. Where else are you required to pay money and receive nothing in return?

I also note that the 2016 election-year increases were much lower, but now the politicians have security of tenure for the next five years, tariff increases are again immediately out of control.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Graham Sell', written over a horizontal line.

Graham Sell  
705 Lake Road  
Wilderness





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20 Mei 2017.

Stadsbestuurder,  
Munisipaliteit George,  
Yorkstraat,  
George.

Geagte Meneer,

### **KLAGTE OOR BUITENSPORIGE TARIEFVERHOGINGS**

As 'n vervaardigingsmaatskappy met 'n fabriek in die George nywerheidsgebied wil ek ten sterkste beswaar aanteken teen die buitensporige verhoging in voorgestelde tariewe vir die volgende belastingjaar. Alhoewel die voorgestelde elektrisiteitstariefverhoging binneperke is, is laasgenoemde se tariewe steeds omtrent die hoogste in die land. Ons fabriek betaal tans R1.79 per kilowatt uur. Die voorgestelde tariefverhoging vir al die ander dienste is hopeloos te hoog, baie hoer as die inflasie koers. Dit word onbekostigbaar om 'n vervaardigingsbesigheid in George te bedryf. Kyk net na die aantal vervaardigers wat reeds hulle besighede in George gesluit het. Coca-cola wat nou net distribusie doen vanaf George, Mc Caines wat geskryf het Springs toe, Woodcraft Meubel fabriek is gesluit, Cold Chain, wie se depot na PE en Kaapstad geskuif het. Moet ek voortgaan? Kry asseblief u kostes onder beheer.

Die uwe,

Robin Clark.  
Direkteur, Touw Meubels.

Robin Clark,  
Posbus 1189,  
George, 6530.  
Tel: +2744-8735627.  
Fax: +27866224794.  
E-mail: robin@touwmeubels.co.za  
Selfoon: +27722784504  
20 Mei 2017.

Stadsbestuurder,  
Munisipaliteit George,  
Yorkstraat,  
George.

Geagte Meneer,

### **KLAGTE OOR BUITENSPORIGE TARIEFVERHOOGINGS**

As 'n belastingbetaler wil ek ten sterkste beswaar aanteken teen die buitensporige verhoging in voorgestelde tariewe vir die volgende jaar. Alhoewel die voorgestelde elektrisiteitstarief verhoging binneperke is is laasgenoemde steeds omtrent die hoogste in die hele land. Die voorgestelde tariefverhoging vir al die ander dienste is hopeloos te hoog, baie hoer as die inflasie koers. George word onbekostigbaar om in te woon.

Baie groete,



Robin Clark.

Postbus 972  
Wildernis  
6560

Die Municipale Bestuurder  
Gezonde Municipaliteit

Vergestelde Municipale verhogings.

Geachte Heer

Na 9 jaar in die omgewing wel ek my geroep om te swaar aan te teken teen vergestelde verhogings in komende boekjaar.

Dit wel in my asof die belastingbetalers elke keer gebruik word om julle boeke te laat klap. As julle geld kint sit maar net belasting op die belastingbetalers is daar om net te gee en te gee.

Kind is al kermhag en ons gebruik dit nie eens dit lyk my na tussen 35 en 38% in 2 jaar!! Ongehoord!! Die 11% belasting is ook tussen 70 en 80% hoër as die inflasiekoers. Wilt julle dan net al die geld gemaak en wat wil julle met so baie geld doen want ons sien niks daarvan hier in Wildernis nie. Geen oypaad: jies nie en julle tekortkominge aan ons infrastruktuur.

Amptenare loop ledig rond en in werksyd doen julle privaat sake. Mensse wat papiere opstel loop te gelyke aan een kaart van staat en praat mense met mekaar om tyd op te maak.

Ek wil julle het nie beheer as julle geldsake nie en nou moet die koei wat melk gee maar net ge-melk en gemelk word. Waar gaan dit end.

Oms as persoonlike het ons lewe lank hard gewerk om in orde te hê hier te kan bly en nou word ons

so belas dat ons maar moet verkoop en goedkoper  
verkoop aankaf net dat amptenare grater en grater  
salansse en wat my betref buitenspange hoe salansse  
kan kry.

Beter Beplanning kan gulle dalk help om meer geld te spaar  
as ek kan raad gee.

Ek glo dat hierdie kennis gunstige oorweging sal gewin

P. J. Fuchs

Eienaar enj 609 Wildernis  
2de Laan 609



## Proposal

We, the undersigned, are probably representative of the older members of the George community who are payers of property taxes.

We are deeply concerned about and object strongly to the proposed increase of 11% in property tax payable by George homeowners. An increase of 11% when the inflation rate is 6.4% is against the law. This increase and the generally high level of taxes payable to the George municipality is hitting older members of the taxpaying group especially hard. Many individuals in this group are on fixed incomes and are finding it more and more difficult to make ends meet. Johannesburg municipality has over several years been giving a 100% property rates discount to all persons over the age of 70 whose property is valued below R2,000,000. (See the attached Johannesburg application form.) We know a number of persons in Johannesburg who are benefitting from this concession.

Under these circumstances we propose that older taxpayers are to be given a discount on the property tax payable.


A sliding scale is proposed:

Age group	Discount %
60-65 years	50
66-70 years	60
71-75 years	70
76-80 years	80
80 years+	100

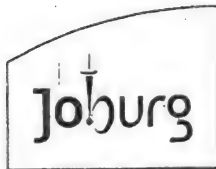
We hope that this proposal will be seriously considered.



J C Hegter  
12 Kiepersol Avenue  
Glenbarrie, George

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## Application for Pensioner Rebate on Property Rates FOR PENSIONERS AGED 70 AND OLDER

Please attach a certified copy of your Identity Document. Only a signed application form submitted along with a certified copy of your Identity document will be accepted for further processing. Failure to provide the required documentation will result in the application not being approved.

### CONDITIONS

Pensioners must be 70 years of age or older, own the property and personally occupy the property. The property value must be less than R2 000 000.

From 1 July 2013

Rates Account Number:

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### Personal details of property owner and his/her spouse

Indicate with a cross:

male

female

married

single

widow

widower

Registered property owner

Surname:

First names:

Date of birth:

y	y	y	y	m	m	d	d
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Identity number:

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Spouse

Surname:

First names:

Date of Birth:

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Identity number:

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Addresses

Street address:

City/Suburb:

Postal code:

Postal address:

City/Suburb:

Postal code:

### Contact details

(H)

Cell No:

(W)

Fax No:

Email:

**Freehold Title ownership**

Stand number: \_\_\_\_\_ Portion number: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate with a cross whether you occupy the above mentioned property:

yes

no

How many houses/ living units are there on the above mentioned property?

**Sectional Title ownership**

Name of Body Corporate: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit number: \_\_\_\_\_ Door number: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate with a cross whether you occupy the above mentioned property:

yes

no

This form may be posted to Director Rates and Taxes, P.O. Box 1450, JHB, 2000 or dropped off at any of the City's service centres for submission to Rates and Taxes.

Thus signed and sworn to, before me at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant\_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner of OathsStamp of  
Commissioner  
of oaths



## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 09:38  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Tariefverhogings in George.

**From:** Johan Kruger [mailto:timby@telkomsa.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 09:09  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Tariefverhogings in George.

Geagte ms. Meyer,

Ons wil graag ook ons ontsteltenis bekend maak met die beplande verhogings. Ek is 'n Transnet pensioenaris wat die afgelope aantal jare slegs 'n TWEE PERSENT verhoging in my pensioen per jaar ontvang.

Ons kan nie meer die verhogings wat om elke hoek en draai op ons afgedwing word hanteer nie. Waar moet die geld vandaan kom?

Ons hoop die skrywe sal bydra tot die herbesinning van die beoogde besluite.

By voorbaat dank.

JOHAN KRUGER.

Hoekwil.



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**Allodene Jonas**

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**From:** Ronel Le Fleur  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 09:33  
**To:** Moos Cupido; Magda Meyer; Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: IDP and BUDGET feedback from Muriel Hau-Yoon

FYI

**From:** Muriel Hau Yoon [<mailto:hauyoon@afrikom.co.za>]  
**Sent:** 19 May 2017 06:00 PM  
**To:** 'mmreception@george.org.za' <[mmreception@george.org.za](mailto:mmreception@george.org.za)>  
**Cc:** 'Joh Groenewald' <[johgroen@mweb.co.za](mailto:johgroen@mweb.co.za)>  
**Subject:** IDP and BUDGET feedback from Muriel Hau-Yoon

**To the Municipal Manager, George Municipality**

Dear Sir,

Thank you for the opportunity of submitting my feedback to the IDP and Budget for 2017.

I attended the presentation on 9 May 2017 for Wards 2, 3, 18, 19, 22 and 23 and wish to respond as follows:

**\*Proposed rates increase of 11%:** This is way above the current inflation rate of 6,4%. I notice that the municipality proposes to grow its employee bill by over 9% while media reports suggest an inordinate amount of leave taken by personnel. In fact one of my queries to the accounts department was delayed for several months because an official was on long study leave.

**\*Proposed refuse removal increase of 15%:** Why should George municipality have to bear the cost of the new regional landfill site in Mossel Bay? Shouldn't that be funded by the Municipal Infrastructure Grant or even the Eden district municipality?

**\*Wasted expenditure:** We also read in the media about wasted expenditure on the ill-planned tourism offices in Pacaltsdorp and Thembaletu which have now been temporarily closed. Which councillor was responsible for this? I am all for development of the lesser resourced areas but this should always be done with proper prior planning and execution.

**\*Tourism policy:** Deputy Mayor Gert Pretorius stressed the importance of tourism for the region, yet I'm astounded to discover that the capital of the Garden Route doesn't seem to have a tourism policy in place.

I strongly recommend a revision of the proposed rates and refuse removal increases.

PS: Will you kindly provide me with details of the meetings in Wards 2 and 18?

With thanks and best wishes,

**Muriel Hau-Yoon**

**Hau-Yoon Trust**

**Account GRG 1001705657 for 67 Adderley Street, Fernridge (Ward 2)**

**Account GRG 1001960612 for 8 Rooibekkie Street, Denver Park (Ward 18)**

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 09:42  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: Beswaar

**From:** Accounts Accounts [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 09:38  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Beswaar

>>> "Pierre" <[admin@george.org.za](mailto:admin@george.org.za)> 24 May 2017 08:22 >>>  
Submitted on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 - 08:22  
Submitted by anonymous user: 190.100.100.14  
Submitted values are:

Name: **Pierre**  
Surname: **du Plessis**  
Mobile:

Email: [hornet3@absamail.co.za](mailto:hornet3@absamail.co.za)

Message: **Ek maak hiermee sterk beswaar teen die verhoging van 11% in eiendomsbelasting. Pensioenarisse se verhoging was minder as 6.5% en die verhoging in belasting is buitensporig.**

Send to: [accounts@george.org.za](mailto:accounts@george.org.za)

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D.I. Hay  
P.O. Box 12676  
Garden Route Mall  
GEORGE. 6546

24 May 2017

The Municipal Manager  
Mr. T. Botha  
George Municipality  
P.O. Box 19  
GEORGE. 6530

Dear Sir

Proposed 11% property rates increase 2017/2018

It would be appreciated if the basis for the proposed 11% property rates increase could be expounded upon.

It is especially pertinent when viewed against the guidelines of National Treasury's MFMA Budget Circular No. 86 – 2017/18 14 March 2017, Chapter 3, reproduced below:

### **3. The revenue budget**

National Treasury encourages municipalities to maintain tariff increases at levels that reflect an appropriate balance between the affordability to poorer households and other customers while ensuring the financial sustainability of the municipality. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation has however breached the upper limit of the 3 to 6 per cent target band; therefore municipalities are now required to *justify all increases in excess of the 6.4 per cent* projected inflation target in their budget narratives, and pay careful attention to the differential incidence of tariff increases across all consumer groups.

Where revenue collection is not well planned or managed, or where tariffs are not properly set, serious financial problems can arise. Eskom's recent move to cut off power supply to municipalities that have not paid electricity bills is an indication of what can happen when municipalities fail to manage this risk.

It is commonly acknowledged that rates contributions are used to fund roads maintenance, streetlights, robots, parks and gardens, street cleaning, clinics amongst a few of the more important functions.

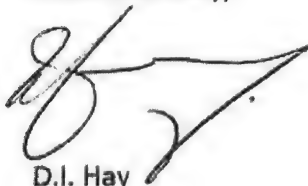
Is any relief allowance factored into your budget to make provision for townhouse estates owners?

I stay at 6 Harts Close, Kraaibosch Estate, lot 24229 account number 1002229664, for which a monthly Home Owners Association levy of R600 is paid. I am duly mandated to speak on behalf of the registered owner of the property. This amount makes provision for in-house: security, pavement and communal gardens maintenance, streetlighting provision and maintenance and tarred roads maintenance.

By paying the monthly levy and paying an escalated rates contribution I am effectively paying for services which the municipality cannot render within the complex.

I acknowledge the need for rates contributions to support the previously mentioned services and functions within the city; my concern is double taxation.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D.I. Hay', with a stylized, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

D.I. Hay



23 Mei 2014

Munisipaliteit:  
George

Die Hoof: Rekeninge - afdeling

Verhoging tariewe: Rekening: GRG 1001586548

- Water: 8% (Basies)
- Water: 8% (6kl)
- Elektriesiteit: 1.88%
- Afval: 15% (verhoog)
- Riool: 8% (verhoog)

Dep. Dir. Finance - P/A  
Received: S.A. Jones  
George Municipality / P.O. Box 19  
George 6520

S.A. Jones  
23/5/17

Hierdie eiendom word verhuur as my inkomste:  $\pm$  R4,800

- Ek is 'n senior persoon en omdat ek meer as R3,000 "verdien", kwalifiseer ek nie as "staatspensionaris".

- Met hierdie verhoging word Munisipale uitgawes meer: wie besluit hieroor? Behalwe my eie persoonlike lopende uitgawes wat ek tot absolute minimum beperk.
- Waarheen gaan dié finansiële:

- Die York Park-gebou word met skrikwekkende bedrae opgradeer: lees die George Herald 18 Mei 2017.

Hoekom?

Hoekom staan Kantore maande lank leeg - word nie verhuur of finansiële reg bestuur? wie is verantwoordelik? Antwoorde asb.

- Wad hierdie "opgradering" befonds uit die verhoogde munisipale verhogings? / tariewe?
- Waarheen: portefeulje: gaan al die afval 15% verhoging?
- Iewers is in groot vraagteken waarom die publiek en eiendom-eienaars moet weet.

M. E. J. Stydom . 052-686-4888

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Fax: (044) 874 3119  
(Always quote above Tel No on faxes)

9 Arthur Bleksley Street  
Loerie Park  
GEORGE 6529

Die Munisipale Bestuurder  
Munisipaliteit  
GEORGE

22 Mei 2017

Geagte Meneer,

BESWAAR TEEN DIE 2017 BEGROTING.

Hiermee my sterkste beswaar teen die onlangse Munisipale begroting vrygestel deur u kantoor.

Sonder om in detail in te gaan gee die begroting die indruk van 'n samevatting van rojale uitgawes waarin, as 'n nagedagte, gedink is wie daarvoor moet betaal, en die handjievol belastingbetalers daarvoor aangespreek word.

Daar is duidelik nie ag geslaan op die inflasiekoers en geen verduidelikings vir die verhogings is te vinde nie.

U behoort in ag te neem dat Munisipale belastingen en dienste betaal word uit na-belastingen geld van inwoners. Het die agbare raad die moeite gedoen om vas te stel of die klein groepie inwoners, wat die munisipaliteit aan die gang moet hou, dit kan bekostig?

Dit wil voorkom of ons beter daaraan toe was met 'n ANC raad as met die veel geroemde DA. 'n Punt wat wel oorweeg sal word tydens die volgende verkiesing en deur die ANC uitgebuit sal word.

Totdat die burgemeester voor 'n dag kan kom met redelike verduidelikings vir sy onlangse optredes wat insluit die onrealistiese begroting en die afdanking van bekwame amptenare, is ek nie genee om vir die uitspatige begrote verhoging te betaal nie.

Die uwe,



J.G. JOUBERT

P F Black

Postal . P.O.Box 4043 George East 6539

Residential.. 7 Kersoog Street George 6529

The Municipal Manager

George Municipality

71 York Street

George 6529

#### OBJECTION TO TARIFF INCREASES

I would like to object to the tariff increases proposed for George.

Some of them are nearly double and some nearly treble the inflation rate .

Being a pensioner with a fixed income and battling with the present costs I ask u to reconsider the amounts proposed .

Yours Faithfully



P F Black

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017

To: George Municipality  
Rates & Taxes Department

From: 14 Iris Avenue  
Blommekloof  
George

Re: Increase in Rates; Taxes & Electricity Tariffs

With reference to the above I would like to lodge my disapproval of these increases.

I am a 76 year pensioner and I have a set monthly pension ( with a very low yearly increase).

These increases will have an unwelcome effect on my budget.

I would greatly appreciate it if these tariffs can be revised and reduced.

Thanking you in anticipation of a positive result.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M. G. Lewarne', with a stylized flourish at the end.

M. G. Lewarne



# JC JOUBERT BUILDING CONTRACTOR

21 HIBERNIA STREET, POSBUS/P.O. BOX 760, GEORGE 6530

Tel: 044 873 3061 – Fax: 044 873 2966

E-mail: [jcj457@mweb.co.za](mailto:jcj457@mweb.co.za)

VAT NUMBER: 4150122879

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24 May 2017

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

Dear Mr/Me

**R/E: TARIFF INCREASE 2017**

I refer to your proposed tariff increase coming into effect on 1 July 2017.

Your 11% tariff increases is out of line with the inflation rate!

The actual inflation rate for April 2017 being 5.3% and was forecast for 5.7% as per the attached graph.

You will notice a steep decline in the inflation rate. An increase of 1 – 2% above the inflation rate is acceptable and from figures above it is clear that the 11% proposed increase is unaffordable.

**The following property in George belongs to me:**

ERF	ADRESS
9140	Sandkraal Weg
2571	Hibernia Street
834	South Street/Wilderness
7548	Meul Street
18283	York Street
4388	Cornish Street

Bearing in mind the tough economic times we are facing. I object to an 11% increase.

Kind regards

**JC JOUBERT**

## South Africa Inflation Rate 1968-2017 | Data | Chart | Calendar

Consumer prices in South Africa rose 5.3 percent year-on-year in April of 2017, easing from a 6.1 percent increase in March and below market expectations of 5.6 percent. It is the lowest inflation rate since December of 2015, mainly due to a slowdown in prices of food and transport. Inflation Rate in South Africa averaged 9.19 percent from 1968 until 2017, reaching an all time high of 20.70 percent in January of 1986 and a record low of 0.20 percent in January of 2004.

SOUTH AFRICA INFLATION RATE



SOURCE: [WWW.TRADINGECONOMICS.COM](http://WWW.TRADINGECONOMICS.COM) | STATISTICS SOUTH AFRICA

Calendar	GMT	Reference	Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast <sup>i</sup>
2017-03-22	08:00 AM	Feb	6.3%	6.6%	6.3%	6.4%
2017-04-19	08:00 AM	Mar	6.1%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%
2017-05-24	08:00 AM	Apr	5.3%	6.1%	5.6%	5.7%
2017-06-21	08:00 AM	May		5.3%		6.1%
2017-07-19	08:00 AM	Jun				6%
2017-08-23	08:00 AM	Jul				6%

## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 13:56  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: For attention the George Municipal Budget Committee  
**Attachments:** George Mun April 2017.pdf

**From:** Accounts Accounts [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 13:21  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: For attention the George Municipal Budget Committee

>>> Antoinette Theron <[atheron03@gmail.com](mailto:atheron03@gmail.com)> 24 May 2017 12:37 >>>

Herewith receive, as per attached letter, a protest against the proposed municipal services increase for 2017.

Yours sincerely,

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**Dr Antoinette Theron**

BCom, BCom (Hons), MCom, DCom (Transport Economics)

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## GEORGE MUNICIPALITY





### Tax invoice

EMAIL  
GRG 1002105775



**MRS A THERON**  
**POSBUS 3096**  
**MATIELAND**  
**STELLENBOSCH**  
**7602**

STATEMENT DATE	26/04/2017
TAX INVOICE NO.	8065107
ACCOUNT NO.	GRG 1002105775
RECEIPTS POSTED TILL	25/04/2017
GUARANTEE / DEPOSIT	750.00-
SUBURB	25 566 00001
VALUATION	1154000
SITE ADDRESS:	BLOMMEKLOOF STREET 2
DEBTS DUE BY TENANTS	0.00
CLIENT VAT NO.	

SERVICE	OPENING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	CHARGE	INTEREST	ADJUSTMENTS	VAT	CLOSING BALANCE
	331.91	331.91-	452.30	0.00	0.00	63.32	515.62
	328.50	328.50-	288.16	0.00	0.00	40.34	328.50
	396.24	396.24-	347.58	0.00	0.00	48.66	396.24
	537.68	537.68-	537.66	0.00	105.67-	0.00	431.99
UN-ALLOCATED CREDITS	0.00	105.67-	0.00	0.00	105.67	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1 594.33</b>	<b>1 700.00-</b>	<b>1 625.70</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>152.32</b>	<b>1 672.35</b>

**PLEASE SEE REVERSE FOR IMPORTANT NOTES.**

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**08H00 -15H30 MONDAY - FRIDAY**  
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Thank you.

TOTAL VAT	ARREARS	CURRENT	PAYMENT DATE	AMOUNT DUE
152.32	0.00	1 672.35	15/05/2017	R 1 672.35

	FUTURE	CURRENT	30 DAYS	60 DAYS	90 DAYS	90 DAYS +
<b>MONTHLY</b>	0.00	1672.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>ANNUAL</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	0.00	1672.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

water:1401	Cons/Days	35	29.00		
water:1401	Basic(New)	2	72.64	157.90	19.39
water:1401	>0-6 K1 - N	12	12.72	174.01	21.37
water:1401	Free/Gratis-N	12-	12.72	174.01-	21.37-
water:1401	>6-12 K1 - N	12	12.72	174.01	21.37
water:1401	>12-20 K1 - N	11	14.65	183.71	22.56

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#### SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY SERVICE

	431.99	Sewerage	396.24
Refuse	328.50	Water	515.62

#### PAYMENT DETAILS



BRANCH CODE: 632005  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 010 2222 0981



Cell Number



>>>>>> 9153 0000 0100 2105 7751

ACCOUNT:GRG 1002105775

ALLOCATION

ACCOUNT NUMBER



Tp. Meter No. Previous New Reading Factor Consumption Period Daily Aver.  
W 0000799979 11266 11301 35 22/02-23/03 1.20



## Allodene Jonas

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>>> "Annaleen Ferreira" <annaleen.sjp8@gmail.com> 24 May 2017 13:33 >>>

Vriendelike groete / Warm Regards

Annaleen Ferreira

m.t. ferreira t/a Pool & Home Care  
P O Box 10405  
George  
6530  
Cell: 082 934 3437  
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24 Mei 2017

Departement Finansies,  
Eerste vloer,  
George Munisipaliteit

Aandag: Magda Meyer (Municipal Budget Office)

Per epos: [accounts@george.org.za](mailto:accounts@george.org.za)

Wie dit mag aangaan,

**IN SAKE: KOMMENTAAR VIR VOORGESTELDE VERHOGINGS IN TARIEWE**

Ons verwys na die voorgestelde verhogings in tariewe vir die 2017/2018 begroting.

Ons is eienaars van 'n eiendom in Blanco, waar misdaad 'n groot probleem is. Ons erf is geleë te Maitlandstraat teenaan Laerskool Blanco, wat gereeld onder inbrake deurloop. Ons erf is ook 'n klipgooi van Kinkelslot Straat, wat 'n deurloop na Golden Valley is. Daar was in die afgelope 2 jaar verskeie rooftogte en of aanrandings reg voor ons hek. Ons moes vir ons groot honde aanskaf, "spikes" op ons mure aanbring asook ligte reg rondom ons huis aanbring, om onself te probeer beveilig.

Ons het al verskeie versoeke aan ons buurtwag gerig om te versoek dat die Munisipaliteit skerp ligte aanbring, veral in Maitlandstraat wat dit so donker is. Dit val op dowe ore, niks word daaraan gedoen om ons inwoners se veiligheid te verseker nie!

Verder is Blanco baie onnet. Einde Januarie 2017 is daar onkruid doder gespuit op bossies by die robotkruising van Maitland en Montagustrate. Daardie dooie bossies is nooit verwyder nie, dit lê nog steeds daar. Onkruid doder word ook op ons gras gespuit, nie net op die rand nie, maar soms tot 'n meter in die gras-vlak in. Dit vat maande vir daai gras om weer uit te groei. Ek het foto's as bewyse. Daar is geen trots om dit netjies te doen nie.

Ek verwys ook na die stopstraat kruising by Montagu en Georgeweg. Die onkruid staan soms baie hoog. Selfs die toegang oor die brug (vanaf die dorp) waar jy Blanco inkom, is daar nou vir die eerste keer in maande na daai stuk grond omgesien. Waar is ons trots? Niks regverdig dus die voorgestelde verhoging nie.

Ons voel verder ook dat die voorgestelde verhogings nie in lyn met die inflasie koers soos op die voorblad van die George Herald van 18 Mei 2017, naamlik 6,47% gemeld word nie. Volgens die berig is

## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 13:56  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: TARRIF INCREASE



**From:** Accounts Accounts [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 13:44  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: TARRIF INCREASE

>>> "JC Joubert" <[ronel@jcjc.co.za](mailto:ronel@jcjc.co.za)> 24 May 2017 13:17 >>>  
Good day

I'm a divorced lady with a daughter in University.

11% Increase is way to much and I really can't afford this, please reconsider.

Thank You

PM KARSTEN

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7, Plover Road,  
Heatherlands,  
GEORGE  
6529 Western Cape.  
22nd May, 2017.

Municipal Manager,  
George Municipality  
Western Cape.

Dear Sir/Madam,


**INCREASE IN RATES AND TAXES Erf no. 4122 HEATHERLANDS**

As pensioners living in George it is extremely difficult to understand how tariff increases can be justified in the light of the current inflation rate in our country. Most pensioners live on fixed incomes which means that their incomes are eroded automatically by inflation. To ask for increases above the National inflation rate seems immoral.

The area in which we live has had no real attention given to its infrastructure viz. renewal of sewage pipes, storm water pipes or water provision. A few roads have had some attention thanks to the heavier traffic occasioned by Go George, but this was included in the planning for the public transport system supported by Government. We seldom find street sweepers in this area and pavements are generally tended by people owning the adjacent property. It is understood that waste water purification and waste removal facilities can only be properly serviced if there is an increase in income but surely it ought not to be beyond the National inflation level if it has been systematically cared for over the years via planned maintenance programmes. If the Council is admitting to failure in this regard then it ought to state that in the reasons given for increases. Wages and salary increase ought, similarly, to be more closely related to inflation rates rather than a sense of entitlement.

Thank you for your attention. I trust that serious consideration will be given to my objection (and the many others submitted to the Council) to a rate increase.

Yours faithfully,

  
M.D. Alby (Mrs.)



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George Municipality  
York Street  
George

23 May 2017

Sirs

## TARIFF INCREASES FROM 01 JULY 2017

I should like to voice my opinion to the growing objection to the above increases.

How do the budgeteers substantiate the exorbitant increases way above inflation? Is it to pay higher salaries and wages to Municipal staff, most of whose productivity rate is about 25%? This is not a figure I have sucked out of my thumb, but from continual observation of Municipal workers on various projects around the streets of George.

Normally about 1 in 4 of them is working, the others are either talking while leaning on their utensils, sleeping or eating / drinking and polluting the surrounding area with their waste. If this is the normal work ethic then the Municipality is grossly overstaffed and should be drastically reduced! The logical consequence would be a reduction of tariffs, not an increase.

The number of Councilors is also exorbitant, the more there are, the more they fight and argue at meetings, achieve very little and are paid huge salaries!

I live in Heather Park where streets are swept approximately once a year. Many street name plates are broken or illegible, causing confusion and frustration to people trying to find a particular address.

On enquiring as to why the streets are swept only once a year, the answer was that only if I report that the streets need sweeping, will they consider doing so. Naturally my reaction thereto is unprintable.



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So I ask you, what value for money am I receiving just for the rates I pay, never mind the other services. How can you justify any rates increase, never mind 11%. Please explain.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized capital 'D' followed by a horizontal line that ends in a small checkmark.

H J U WOLFF

## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Brian Musto <brian.musto@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 17:40  
**To:** Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** Objection to proposed rates increase : ERF 2048 Wilderness :

Dear Sirs

Attention : Allodene

Many property owners in George and Wilderness are extremely concerned that the George City Council has proposed an 11% rates increase coupled with 15% for refuse collection, 8% for sewerage and 8% for water as well as an increase in electricity tariffs.

There is no earthly reason why ratepayers should be expected to swallow the 11% and 15% increases.

We live in Wilderness and put out 7 items yesterday (bound-up bundles of small branches, no black bags). Your refuse collection dept. decided to take away only 3 bundles and leave the other 4 in our driveway. This is totally unacceptable. At least half the houses in our street (there are 10 houses in our street) are holiday houses where no refuse is left out for collection, yet your garden refuse dept. sees fit not to even collect a few items left outside our house !! This is totally shocking.

Lack of service delivery also extends to the roads in our area where potholes are sometimes filled but in such a desultory manner evidenced by the contractors seldom ensuring that their small steamroller rolls the replaced bitumen properly, with the result that, after minimal traffic, the potholes in the tarmac reappear again.

We are cognisant that poorer areas need financial support but this does not mean increases almost double the official inflation rate for March announced today which is now below 6% pa.

I trust that sanity will prevail and that you will reduce the increases to not more than 1% above the latest published monthly inflation rate (5,9%pa) to make it affordable to pensioners on fixed incomes and retired persons, such as me.

Sincerely

JE Musto (Mrs)  
Owner of Erf 2048 Wilderness




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## Allodene Jonas

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**From:**  Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 May 2017 09:07  
**To:** Allodene Jonas; Moos Cupido  
**Subject:** FW: Beswaar teen voornemende eiendomsbelating verhoging

**From:** Trevor Botha [mailto:Trevor@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 May 2017 09:05  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>; Leon Wallace <LeonW@george.org.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Beswaar teen voornemende eiendomsbelating verhoging

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>>> John Carstens <[dr.jcarstens@gmail.com](mailto:dr.jcarstens@gmail.com)> 24 May 2017 18:15 >>>

Beste Trevor Botha. Graag wil ek my stem voeg by talle ander mense wat ontevrede is met die voornemende eiendomsbelating verhoging van 11%.

Met inflasie wat rondom 6,5% is en algemene salaris verhogings wat nie veel hoër is as inflasie nie is dit ondenkbaar dat die munisipaliteit dit oorweeg om eiendomsbelasting met 11% te verhoog.

Die gemiddelde salaris verdiener boer net agteruit.

Ek wil voorstel dat die munisipaliteit indringend na sy uitgawes-begroting kyk en tekorte aanvul deur kostes te besnoei.

Die bou van die beskermende voetgangers pad langs die N2, wat om en by die R60 miljoen plus gekos het, is fondse wat miskien beter anders bestee kon word. Tans volgens my berekening moes die munisipaliteit al ongeveer twintig keer vernietigde skerms regmaak. Daaglik sien ons as motoriste hoe mense oor die skerms klim. Ek wil vra dat die munisipaliteit die persentasie heroorweeg en n persentasie nader na die inflasie koers oorweeg. Dit geld ook vir die vullis verwydering en die water en riool.

Die uwe

John Carstens

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Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 May 2017 08:47  
**To:** Allodene Jonas; Moos Cupido  
**Subject:** FW: Objection to Service Increases

**From:** Accounts Accounts [mailto:Accounts@george.org.za]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 May 2017 08:09  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Objection to Service Increases

>>> Pam Nunns <[pam.wre@gmail.com](mailto:pam.wre@gmail.com)> 25 May 2017 00:12 >>>  
**ATTENTION:Municipal Manager**  
**Municipal Budget Office**

I hereby make a formal objection to the unrealistic increase in rates and services on the properties in the George Municipal area.

No consideration is given to pensioners and people on fixed incomes, who are already finding it extremely difficult to meet costs with the low salaries paid in the George area and the high rentals. This high increase will have a direct impact on the cost of rents increasing.

How does the municipality justify this increase? Surely there are other ways in which to obtain the money purportedly needed? Ways within the municipality itself?

What are the financials of the George Municipality, where is the money being used and how much is being paid out in salaries – and what are the individual salaries, especially to those in the higher positions.

Once again, the George Municipality find it convenient to impose unrealistic increases and to dictate to the residents.

Gary Bisset

Rates Account: GRG 1001 357 557

Property: 644 Lake Road,

Wilderness

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## Allodene Jonas

**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 May 2017 08:46  
**To:** Moos Cupido; Allodene Jonas  
**Subject:** FW: OBJECTION : PROPOSED INCREASE MUNICIPAL TARIFFS

**From:** Talitha Steenkamp [mailto:talitha.steenkamp@telkomsa.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 21:47  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Cc:** francoissteenkamp@absamail.co.za  
**Subject:** OBJECTION : PROPOSED INCREASE MUNICIPAL TARIFFS

Dear Sir/Me

We object to the current proposed increase in municipal tax on properties. The reasons are as follows :

- Property tax increase: Current CPI is below 6%. The difference between the proposed increase in property tax and the CPI is 5%. Almost double the CPI. Although the impact might seem small on the total rate per household for 2018, the impact in the long term is quite significant. On a property paying average of R750 per month on property tax, the increase for 2018 will only be R450 for year 2018. However, even if the increase in rates are then kept at 6% pa, the year on year impact of this very high increase would be very significant. The table below illustrates this impact and is self-explanatory.  
 If the increase was kept to 6% for 2018, the total amount payable over 10 years will be R134 765 for an average property rate of R750 pm. If only 2018 is increased to 11%, and all 9 years thereafter are also kept at 6%, the total amount payable will be R140 676 which is R5 931 more over this period, just because of 1 major increase. The difference of R450 for year 1, accumulates to almost R6 000 in 10 years.

	FORECAST	Monthly Property Tax	Annual Property Tax	Monthly Property Tax	Monthly Property Tax	Annual Property Tax	
Base =100	Municipal increase 2018=6%; year 2019 -2027 forecast of 6%	R750	R9 000	Proposed Municipal increase 2018=11%; year 2019 -2027 forecast of 6%	R750	R9 000	
2018	106,00	R795	R9 540	111	R833	R9 990	Difference Year 1 R450
2019	112,36	R843	R10 112	117,66	R882	R10 589	Accumalated Difference Year 2 R927
2020	119,1016	R893	R10 719	124,7196	R935	R11 225	Accumalated Difference Year 3 R1 433
2021	126,247696	R947	R11 362	132,202776	R992	R11 898	Accumalated Difference Year 4 R1 969
2022	133,8225578	R1 004	R12 044	140,1349426	R1 051	R12 612	Accumalated Difference Year 5 R2 537
2023	141,8519112	R1 064	R12 767	148,5430391	R1 114	R13 369	Accumalated Difference Year 6 R3 139
2024	150,3630259	R1 128	R13 533	157,4556215	R1 181	R14 171	Accumalated Difference Year 7 R3 777
2025	159,3848075	R1 195	R14 345	166,9029587	R1 252	R15 021	Accumalated Difference Year 8 R4 454
2026	168,9478959	R1 267	R15 205	176,9171363	R1 327	R15 923	Accumalated Difference Year 9 R5 171
2027	179,0847697	R1 343	R16 118	187,5321644	R1 406	R16 878	Accumalated Difference Year 10 R5 931
			R134 745			R140 676	

- Increases in municipal tax and other expenses will also have a significant impact on the rental property market. Landlords will not absorb this increase in the long term, they will pass it on to the tenant. This will make housing more expensive in a time where households firstly battle to find affordable rental accommodation, and secondly on disposable income.

We will appreciate that this increase be reviewed in the light of the above.

## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Magda Meyer  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 May 2017 09:06  
**To:** Allodene Jonas; Moos Cupido  
**Subject:** FW: OBJECTION: BUDGET AND IDP - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS - MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES - LEGAL CONSEQUENCES -  
**Attachments:** GEORGE MUNICIPALITY OBJECTION TO RATES AND TAXES 24 MAY 2017\_2.zip

**From:** Lamees Abrahams  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 May 2017 09:02  
**To:** Magda Meyer <mameyer@george.gov.za>  
**Subject:** FW: OBJECTION: BUDGET AND IDP - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS - MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES - LEGAL CONSEQUENCES -

Good Morning Ms Weinmann

Receipt of your objection is hereby acknowledged.

Regards



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**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 May 2017 17:25  
**To:** Lamees Abrahams <[labrahams@george.gov.za](mailto:labrahams@george.gov.za)>; Deputy Mayor Secretary <[Deputysec@george.org.za](mailto:Deputysec@george.org.za)>; [gpretorius@george.org.za](mailto:gpretorius@george.org.za); Mayor of George <[Mayor@george.org.za](mailto:Mayor@george.org.za)>; MMReception Reception <[MMReception@george.org.za](mailto:MMReception@george.org.za)>; Trevor Botha <[Trevor@george.org.za](mailto:Trevor@george.org.za)>



Thanking all the good guys still out there

Kind regards

Gisela Weinmann

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MUNICIPAL ACCOUNT MANAGER : PROPERTIES



GEORGE MUNICIPALITY OBJECTION TO RATES AND TAXE...



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# Gisela Weinmann

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24 May 2017

To the

Municipal Council GEORGE MUNICIPALITY

Municipal Manager GEORGE MUNICIPALITY

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER GEORGE MUNICIPALITY

MAYOR MELVIN NAIK

DEPUTY MAYOR GERRIT PRETORIUS

Dear Sirs and Madams

**OBJECTION: NEW GEORGE MUNICIPAL BUDGET AND**  
**IDP, AND MATTERS RELATING HERETO**  
**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2017/2018 & 2018 / 2019 ,**  
**AND 5 YEARS ONWARDS**

ATTACHED

Page 2 hereof: Indicating the current bad state of the financial affairs of the GEORGE MUNICIPALITY.

THIS MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE TO INCREASE THE INCOME BUDGET OF THE GEORGE MUNICIPALITY

LAST YEARS COMMENT PROCESS, INFORMED POLITICIANS AND OFFICIALS, TO REDUCE THE DRAFT INCOME BUDGET , WITH R 200 MILLION. ONE ASSUMES, OVER AND ABOVE THE EXTRA R200 MILLION ASKED LAST YEAR, THE OFFICIALS WANT IT RAISED WITH ANOTHER R300 MILLION.

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE. AND THE MAYOR OF GM , HAS TO USE HIS EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS, TO ADVISE THE MEC, THAT ACCORDING TO THE STATE OF THE FINANCIAL MATTERS, OF GM,. GM NEEDS NOW TO BE PUT UNDER ADMINISTRATION.

FAILURE TO DO SO, WILL AFFORD THE PUBLIC, THE CHANCE , TO ;AY CRIMINAL CHARGES, AGAINST THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, THE OTHER HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, THE COUNCIL, AND THE MAYOR , PARTICULARLY.





## Current Debtors Collection Rate

July 2016 - June 2017 Quarter 2

**68.44%** 😞

The percentage of new revenue (generated within the financial year) that a municipality actually collects

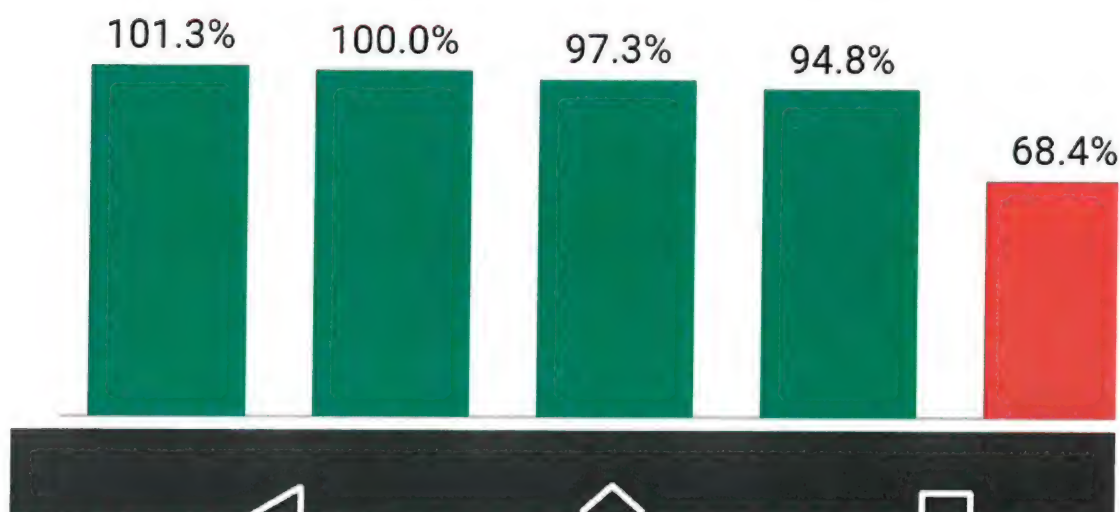
**About half** of the rate for similar municipalities in Western Cape: 139.37%

**About 80 percent** of the rate for similar municipalities nationally: 85.93%

**good** 😊 95% or more

**bad** 😞 Less than 95%

**+ Show calculation**





## STELLENBOSCH MUNICIPALITY

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### ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF POLITICAL STRUCTURES, POLITICAL OFFICE BEARERS AND THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER

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#### *Preface*

Good governance is built upon an effective interface between political office bearers, political structures, councillors and officials, the delegation of appropriate powers to achieve maximum operational and administrative efficiency and the amicable resolution of disputes between the respective role-players.

In this document we attempt to identify the functions, roles and responsibilities of the political office bearers, political structures, councillors and Municipal Manager of the Municipality of Stellenbosch.

To be noted is action brought by Mrs Gous and Mrs Arlene Smit, without being duelly authorized thereto, because, if authorization was given, it would amount to fruitless and wastefull expenditure, and directly opposite of the GM Rates / Debt Collection Policy.

No one is a law to his/ her own hands.

I suggest / urge , that the GM starts taking a dim view of the attorneys for the GM, being Nico Smit Inc, and determine, if undue influence, is exerted on the/any members of the public, who oppose rates and service charges, so as to criminalize "opponents" of view. Or. Albeit. Being a mechanism, of favour, to political role players. It is unacceptable that an amount of R100 000 overcharged on electricity sales, hangs in the air, as while mrs Smit, of the same firm, does not get this information from mrs Gous, alternatively, Mrs Gous has informed mrs Smit, but Mrs Smit, relentlessly, enforces, punitive measures, on anyone , that does not follow her newly written book on the rates policy of George, with ZERO rating by the Councillors, as the Councillors, have not seen this version of the Law, implemented in GM yet. ( I sincerely hope, the GM will heed my calling, to canvass the new set of rules , mrs Gous and Mrs Smit, have devise3d, to mislead the courts and or officials, and or politicians, to generate a bigger income , to themselves, than legally possible/ permissible. And if there is any suggestion (s) from political or senior management side, to uphold this new rules procedure book, contrary to legal standards , imposed on Local Government.

Hence. With the re advertisement of the tenders for attorneys for the municipality, and the financial departments' senior officials, its about high time, that the road gets cleared, for transparent and open wiring of the municipal budget, to save the face of council, in the public domain.

I hope, that by now, all have seen reason, not to ignore public input. As example, the undisclosed increase of business property rates, in 2014/2015. Which unknown fact to the Public, has returned, as a slap in the face, of the old political PARTY reign, in George.

Rather try and prevent further embarrassment, and ignore the suggestions, of the Senior Financial advisors to the accounting officer, to the Council.

Do not increase the Income Revenue Budget. AT ALL.

It is trite law, given the Debt Recovery Rate, of the last courter of 2017, that it is impossible, to generate the income, proposed, viably, attainable. To be collected.

Should this not be heeded, it becomes a dangerous game, of CRIMINAL IMPACT ON SOCIETY.

LET IS NOT GO THERE. Yours , Gisela Weinmann



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AAN MUNISIPALE BESTUURDER

EK HET MET BAIE ONSTELTENIS IN GEORGE HERALD  
VAN PRYSVERHOOGING VAN ELEKTRISITEIT EN DIENSTE  
GELEES. HET AANSOEK GEDOEN VIR BOULYN VERSLAP  
ING 2013 KAN NOU NOG NIE R2400,00 BYMEKAAR KRY  
HET VRIENDE IN ONS NABURIGE DORPE EN GEORGE  
FOOI DUURSTE EN TYD WAT DIT NEEM LANKSTE  
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ONS SAL DIT NIE KAN BEKOSTIG

BYVOORBAAT

MNR THOMAS LAWAN

082 584 0063





## **AMMENDMENT PROPOSAL TO THE DRAFT BUDGET OF 2017/2018**

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As per agreement by the Mayor, at the Council Meeting whereby the Draft Multi Year Budget was approved, to accommodate some adjustment proposals hereby the following:

1. That the increase in immovable property rates be as follows:
  - All properties to the value of a maximum of R150 000 be exempted from property tax
  - Properties to the value of R151,000 to R2 million be limited to a 6% increase in rates
  - Properties to the value of between R2 million and R5 million be increased by the proposed 11%
  - Properties to the value of between 5 and 10 million rand be increased by 15%
  - All properties of a value of more than 10 million rand are increased by 20%.
2. That the following increases in electricity tariffs be considered
  - That the rates of domestic households that utilizes less than 500 units per month stay unchanged
  - That the tariff of consumers of between 500 and 2500 units be increased by the proposed 1.8%
  - That those households who consume more than 2500 units per month get a discount of 1 % for the units that exceeds the number of 2500.
3. That a list of all projects with full specifications with special reference to the specific location includes the ward, area, and address be indicated in the final budget submission.
4. That the allocation of cross subsidy of council's revenue in order to uplift the disadvantaged be identified and clearly indicated in the final budget. This revenue allocation must exclude all indigenous allocation, MIG funds and all other government subsidies and or allocations from national and provincial government.
5. That the limit for a household income to qualify for indigent subsidy be increase to R4500.00

## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Moos Cupido <Moos@george.org.za>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 13:43  
**To:** Lamees Abrahams; Marlene Viljoen; MMReception Reception; Sandile Ngqele; Charles Scott  
**Cc:** Allodene Jonas; Gideonl@pprotect.org  
**Subject:** Re: OBJECTION TO (a) LACK OF SERVICES AND UNEQUITABLE RATES DISPENSATION LEVIED ON CERTAIN RURAL PROPERTIES AND (b) THE 11% INCREASE IN PROPERTY RATES FOR THE 2017/2018 FINANCIAL YEAR IN THE GEORGE MUNICIPAL AREA

Mr Scott,

We acknowledge receipt of you objections.

Regards,

Moos

Mr M M Cupido  
Deputy Director: Financial Services (Income)  
>>> "Charles Scott" <cascott@telkomsa.net> 23 May 2017 13:06 >>>



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## Allodene Jonas

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**From:** Leon van Wyk <leonvw@global.co.za>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 09 May 2017 11:13  
**To:** 'Charles Scott'; Marlene Viljoen; gmmarlenev@gmail.com; 'Marlene Viljoen'; 'Leon van Wyk'  
**Cc:** keithj@george.org.za; magda@george.org.za; 'Moos Cupido'  
**Subject:** RE: 11% RATES INCREASE AND NO WATER AT RONDEVLEI

Dear Charles

Thanks for your email. Hopefully you will have seen the advertisement of the public participation meetings on page 17 of the George Herald of 4 May 2017. You are welcome to attend the Wilderness Hotel meeting on 11 May at 17h30.

I have passed your email on to the Finance Directorate so that they can deal with any questions arising therefrom at the public meeting, etc.

Some comment on the overall Budget:

The high level of Electricity tariff increase over the past decade has masked the reality of dealing with increases, maintenance, infrastructure upgrades, etc for other services where the next crises are manifesting in local government – water, sewerage, refuse, roads. The high level of electricity increases has meant that for the basket of services being provided to be affordable other services could only be increased at level below their real needs. The hand-brake has now been applied to Electricity price increases. Electricity makes up roughly 57,5% of George own generated services and rates Revenue base that matches the amount of Expenditure. When Electricity can only increase by less than 2% whereas inflation runs at 6% or higher, you realize that the 42,5% of the Revenue has to pick up the slack. This is why Rates need to increase by 11% - to balance the budget. Sadly this does not deal with the massive capital expenditure that is needed on Water and Sewerage quite urgently or on increasing refurbishment on infrastructure. You are aware that Refuse increases are being phased in for the new regional landfill. The Johannesburg mayor has recently relayed his dilemma: he can only spend R10bn on infrastructure whereas his needs are R170bn. In George this ratio is not quite 1:17, but closer to 1:7. My own view is that we urgently (i.e. immediately) need to see our economic cake grow by 10-12% to begin to counter an economy that has only grown by 0,9% per annum for the past five years.

In my view, Rondevlei needs to address its expensive Eskom electricity and water sustainability. These are the areas where engagement should take place.

Kind regards

*Leon*

Leon van Wyk  
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**From:** Charles Scott [mailto:cascott@telkomsa.net]  
**Sent:** 08 May 2017 21:05  
**To:** mviljoen@george.gov.za; 'Marlene Viljoen'; Marlene Viljoen; Leon van Wyk  
**Subject:** 11% RATES INCREASE AND NO WATER AT RONDEVLEI

Dear Councillors,

I understand that the municipal councillors in their wisdom have increased our property rates by 11%. This has been without having the input from the public in the IDP process. I attach hereto an excerpt of an email which I have sent to various residents in Rondevlei, many of whom cannot afford this 11% increase.

As you can see from the attachments, the rates and service fees that we are paying to live far away from George is totally unfair, and is in contravention of the municipal by-law. We used to receive a 75% rebate, but you chopped it a few years ago. From the table that I have compiled, you will see that the cost of our rates and services is more than double than if one was to live in George, which I feel is very unfair, considering that we receive no municipal services, and are forced to use a road that is anything but.

Your comments please.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Charles Scott  
044 883 1056 / 082 562 6161

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**From:** Charles Scott [<mailto:cascott@telkomsa.net>]

**Sent:** 01 May 2017 05:53 PM

**To:**

**Subject:** 11% RATES INCREASE

Hi all,

Are you aware that our DA councillors have increased our rates by 11% (approximately double the inflation rate).

I see many of us are now having to bring in potable water at huge costs. What about the rural residents' access to potable water ? (Refer attachment SAHRC Right to sufficient water.)

In terms of the George Municipality Property Rates By-law, the municipality is discriminating against the residents at Rondevlei. If you refer to the spread sheet, the Rondevlei residents are paying far more for services compared to those living in George. This is in contravention of the George Municipal by-law, which states :

#### **PROPERTY RATES BY-LAW**

##### **3. RATING PRINCIPLES**

###### **3.1 EQUITY**

*(a) The municipality subscribes to the principle of an equitable property rates dispensation within its area of jurisdiction. Each ratepayer must be taxed fairly relative to other ratepayers. Ratepayers in similar circumstances will pay similar rates.*

*(b) The municipality accepts that –*

*(a) the effect of rates on the poor has to be taken into account and appropriate measures to alleviate the rates burden on them are necessary;*

*(b) the effect of rates on public benefit organisations have to be taken into account;*

*(c) the effect of rates on public service infrastructure has to be taken into account;*

*(d) measures have to be taken to promote local, social and economic development within the area of jurisdiction of the municipality;*

*(e) all deviations from a uniform rate in respect of all categories of owners of*



properties must be fair and equitable.

Under "PROPERTY RATES BY LAW 2013" also look at :

3.2

3.3

9.(2)

**GEORGE PROPERTY RATES 2016/2017**  
**COMPARISONS BETWEEN RESIDENTIAL IN GEORGE & UNSERVICED RURAL RESIDENTIAL IN RONDEVLEI**

	RESIDENTIAL	UNSERVICED RURAL RESIDENTIAL	
VALUATION	R 1 500 000	R 1 500 000	assuming a valuation
LESS	R 15 000	R 15 000	
	R 1 485 000	R 1 485 000	
RESIDENTIAL RATE	x 0,006664	x 0,006664	
	R 9 896.04	R 9 896.04	
REBATE	15%	40%	
RATES PER ANNUM	R 8 411.63	R 5 937.62	
	÷ 12	÷ 12	
RATES PER MONTH	R 700.97	R 494.80	
WATER	R 207.56	R 1 290.54	assuming a 16kl (50l)
ELECTRICITY	R 481.74	R 1 203.00	assuming a 300 kWh
TRAVELLING		R 504.00	assuming 2 trips to (
	<b>R 1 390.27</b>	<b>R 3 492.34</b>	

1a. In George R72,65 for meter, + (6xR12,72= R76,32) + (4xR14,65=R58,60) = R207,56

1b. In Rondevlei R543,51 for 8kl delivery + (8xR12,72/kl) = R645,27 x 2 = R1290,54

2a. In George 60A prepaid R1,6058 per kWh

2b. In Rondevlei 60A prepaid R4,01 per kWh

3. Councillor Van Wyk at a public meeting stated residents in Rondevlei could utilise municipal services, such as the library in George. Hence our original 75% rebate was decreased.

In Rondevlei there is no access to Go-George busses which were previously promised to us.

We therefore need to use cars to go to municipal libraries, government hospitals, do shopping, etc in George.

2 trips to George pm 120km x R4,20/km = R504

Regards,

Charles Scott

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Moos Cupido - Re: Fwd: Re : Riool tariewe

**From:** Henry Jansen  
**To:** Moos Cupido  
**Date:** 24 May 2017 14:56  
**Subject:** Re: Fwd: Re : Riool tariewe  
**CC:** Elana Van Der Westhuizen; Randal Van Staden

Moos,

Ek dra geen kennis van enige verlaagde tariewe nie. My begrip van die skrywe is dat die persoon probeer vasstel waar sy kan aansoek doen daarvoor. Daar bestaan nie so iets nie en ek stel voor dat sy so ingelig word.

Groete

Henry

>>> Moos Cupido 17/05/2017 10:37 >>>  
Henry,

Het julle met die verbruikers gepraat oor verlaagde tariewe vir suigdienste? Daar bestaam mos nie soiets nie.

Groete,

Moos

Mr M M Cupido  
Deputy Director: Financial Services (Income)

Die tariewe wat tans in plek is, ~~is die~~ en die  
suigdienste te laer is die ~~tariewe~~ wat ~~dit~~ verhaal  
word om die diens te laer.



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17 Mei 2017

Geagte Meneer

**RE : AANSOEK OM VERLAAGDE RIOOL TARIIEWE :**

Sedert 2015 poog ons om die verbinding van die rioolpompstasie wat geleë is te Victoriabaai by Seabreeze Cabanas se toegangshek te verbind met die hoofmeter, maar ons besef dit gaan nie binnekort gebeur nie en dat dit 'n baie duursame proses gaan wees. Ons wens is egter dat dit spoedig moontlik gaan gebeur en dat die Munisipaliteit van George se betrokke departement ons sal steun in die opsig. Nie is dit alleenlik ongemaklik vir die gaste wat by ons tuisgaan ten opsigte van die stank en die vragmotors wat soms die ingang versper nie, ons monitor ook elke dag die strand se riool tenk wat ook by ons ingang geleë is en wat dalk kan oorloop en verwittig die stadsraad daarvan indien dit wel gebeur.

Dit is egter nie ons verantwoordelikheid om die owerhede te verwittig nie, maar ons doen dit eerstens sodat die oorfloei van riool nie by ons ingang na die Oord plaasvind nie, tweedens om besoedeling te voorkom indien dit in die see loop en derdens om dit gerieflik te maak vir die besoekers van heinde en verre aan Victoria baai

Intussen wil ek graag aansoek doen vir verlaagde tariewe tot tyd en wyl die koppeling of oorskakeling kan plaasvind. Ons betaal tans R608.99 per vrag. Die bedrag wat ons die laaste tien maande vanaf Augustus 2016 tot Mei 2017 betaal het, beloop R193 052.96. Dit is werklik 'n enorme bedrag en voel ons dat ons eerder die geld kan aanwend om te help met die oorskakeling van die pompstasie na die hoofmeter.

Met die huidige ekonomie, wat beide die Munisipaliteit en die individuele eienaars van Seabreeze Group Housing Scheme Owners Company raak, sal ons dit opreg waardeur indien die verlaging in tariewe goedgekeur kan word.

Ek heg hierby 'n opsomming van die R193 052.96 aan ten opsigte van die betaling van die riool. Hierdie bedrag is maar slegs 'n druppel in die emmer van wat ons al die afgelope jare betaal het.

U positiewe terugvoering sal van groot waarde en waardering wees.

Byvoorbaat dank

Ronel Vorster  
Administrative and PR Manager  
Seabreeze Cabanas Rental Administrator

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Municipal Manager  
George.

→ CFO

May 2017

Pls respond

Tariff increases 1/7/2017

As a senior and loyal citizen of George, it is very disappointing to having continuously accept above inflation increases.

The electricity and water usage can be controlled and minimized personally but the new rates + refuse double digit increases that only the Municipality can control is in fact shocking and should be reconsidered.

It would be unreasonable if the older established areas of George are expected to pay towards growing new expansion costs.

The high increase in refuse could be reduced by restricting the number of black bags allowed and thereby encourage more recycling.

It should be accepted by everybody that some costs are simply unaffordable now.

I trust my positive intended comments will be seriously considered.

Sincerely,  
T.R. GILES

T. R. GILES

16 Cradock Street, George.



From: NJR Galvin

PO Box 621

George 6530

22 May 2017

→ CFO

Pls respond

To: The Municipal Manager

George Municipality

Dear Sir,

**Proposed Rate Increase**

I hereby wish to lodge my objection to the proposed rate increase scheduled for 1 July 2017.

As a retired Pensioner for the last 17 years, my pension does not even cover my Light & Water account and Medical Aid contribution let alone the numerous other expenses incurred monthly.

Any increase in my Rates will have a severe effect on my financial situation. My wife who is over 70 years of age is forced to work in order for us to survive.

I request that you give consideration to reducing the increase to 5% or granting a special rate or discount to Pensioners.

Best Regards,



Nigel JR Galvin



H C WILLIAMS  
584 Cor Serpentine & 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
WILDERNESS EAST  
6529

→ GFO  
Pls respond

Tel No: 044 877 0038  
Account No. 1001324395

The Municipal Manager  
George Municipality  
GEORGE.

**PROPOSED MUNICIPAL RATES FOR 2017/2018**

It was with dismay that I read of the exorbitant intended rates for the new financial year.

It is not my intention to plead poverty; however, I would like to bring to your attention that I am a Transnet pensioner and that am soon to be 83 years old. Since 2002 our pension has increased only at 2% per annum. A am sure that you can appreciate the fact that we are or will be unable to meet these rising costs as well as feed and clothe ourselves.

I realise that I cannot make my problem your problem; however, it would be helpful if you could advise how you can assist me to meet these intended demands you are making.

Trusting for your sympathetic consideration.

Yours faithfully



H C WILLIAMS





Carl and Brad Construction  
15 Wellington Street  
George  
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George Municipality  
PO Box 19  
George  
6530

Re : Rate increase of 11% for Erf 1830

24 May 2017

To Whom it may Concern

We are sending this email in connection with the proposed 11% hike in the George municipal rates and taxes proposed effective 1<sup>st</sup> July. We would like our objection to this to be noted. We do not agree with this at all as this seems excessive in comparison to the supposed rate of inflation.

Your Sincerely

Brad Stockigt

083324812





Carl and Brad Construction  
Boshoff Street  
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Re : Rate increase of 11% for Erf 2241

24 May 2017

To Whom it may Concern

We are sending this email in connection with the proposed 11% hike in the George municipal rates and taxes proposed effective 1<sup>st</sup> July. We would like our objection to this to be noted. We do not agree with this at all as this seems excessive in comparison to the supposed rate of inflation.

Your Sincerely

Brad Stockigt

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Mr Brad Stockigt  
21 Porter Street  
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George Municipality  
PO Box 19  
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Re : Rate increase of 11% for Erf 1011

24 May 2017

To Whom it may Concern

We are sending this email in connection with the proposed 11% hike in the George municipal rates and taxes proposed effective 1<sup>st</sup> July. We would like our objection to this to be noted. We do not agree with this at all as this seems excessive in comparison to the supposed rate of inflation.

Your Sincerely

Brad Stockigt

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Re : Rate increase of 11% for Erf 20688

24 May 2017

To Whom it may Concern

We are sending this email in connection with the proposed 11% hike in the George municipal rates and taxes proposed effective 1<sup>st</sup> July. We would like our objection to this to be noted. We do not agree with this at all as this seems excessive in comparison to the supposed rate of inflation.

Your Sincerely

Brad Stockigt



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Mrs ML Stockigt  
21 Porter Street  
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Re : Rate increase of 11% for Erf 6546


24 May 2017

To Whom it may Concern

We are sending this email in connection with the proposed 11% hike in the George municipal rates and taxes proposed effective 1<sup>st</sup> July. We would like our objection to this to be noted. We do not agree with this at all as this seems excessive in comparison to the supposed rate of inflation.

Your Sincerely

Maureen Lynn Stockigt

  
083324812





15 de Mist Street

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24 May 2017

George Municipality


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**ACCOUNT NO. GRG 10012191040 : ERF 12571 GEORGE**

**OBJECTION TO CONSUMER TARIFFS AND MUNICIPAL TAXES PROPOSED FOR 2017-2018**

I record my strong objection to the increased consumer tariffs and municipal taxes as proposed by the George Municipality.

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25 May 2017

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**OBJECTION TO INCREASED CONSUMER TARIFFS AND MUNICIPAL TAXES**  
**ACCOUNT NO. GRG 1002231768 : ERF 1306 GEORGE**

We place on record our strong objection to the proposed increases for 2017 – 2018.

J J SIEBERHAGEN

20 Notsung Avenue

Heather Park

GEORGE

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24 May 2017

George Municipality

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[accounts@george.org.za](mailto:accounts@george.org.za)

**ACCOUNT NO. GRG 1001723251 : ERF 5794 GEORGE**

**OBJECTION TO CONSUMER TARIFFS AND MUNICIPAL TAXES PROPOSED FOR 2017-2018**

I record my strong objection to the increased consumer tariffs and municipal taxes as proposed by the George Municipality.

  
J J SIEBERHAGEN

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24 May 2017

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**ERF 1310 GEORGE**

**OBJECTION TO CONSUMER TARIFFS AND MUNICIPAL TAXES PROPOSED FOR 2017-2018**

I record my strong objection to the increased consumer tariffs and municipal taxes as proposed by the George Municipality.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
I.M ZAIMAN

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TO, 23/5/2017  
MUNICIPAL MANAGER

DEAR SIR,  
MY WIFE AND I ARE PENSIONERS,  
THESE NEW INCREASES ON PROPERTY RATES OF 11.00%  
ARE TOO HIGH, THE OTHER INCREASES ARE ABOVE AVERAGE.  
WE DON'T GET ANNUAL INCREASES OF 10% ON OUR  
INVESTMENT, SO THIS WILL MAKE OUR BUDGET  
PER MONTH MUCH MORE DIFFICULT, I TRUST YOU  
WILL TAKE THIS INTO CONSIDERATION.

YOURS TRULY

JOHN AND WINY E. PETERSON

*John Peterson*

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24 May 2017

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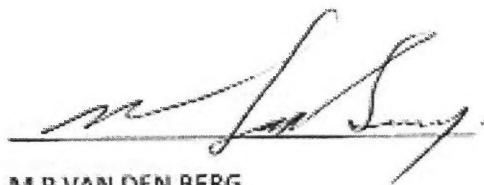
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ACCOUNT NO. GRG 1001923781 : ERF \_\_\_\_\_ GEORGE 120 York Street

OBJECTION TO CONSUMER TARIFFS AND MUNICIPAL TAXES PROPOSED FOR 2017-2018

I record my strong objection to the increased consumer tariffs and municipal taxes as proposed by the George Municipality.



M P VAN DEN BERG

Quebec Trust.

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24 May 2017

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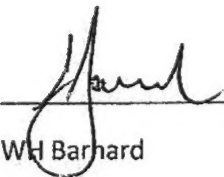
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**ACCOUNT NO. GRG 1001935971 : ERF 6189 GEORGE**

**OBJECTION TO CONSUMER TARIFFS AND MUNICIPAL TAXES PROPOSED FOR 2017-2018**

I record my strong objection to the increased consumer tariffs and municipal taxes as proposed by the George Municipality.

  
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WH Barnard